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Title of Invention: ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR INDUCING EXON SKIPPING AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF								
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11.	Request for Continued Examination	n - Prioritized Examina	tion under § 1.102(e)(2)					
 i. A request for continued examination has been filed with, or prior to, this form. ii. If the application is a utility application, this certification and request is being filed via EFS-Web. iii. The application is an original nonprovisional utility application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a), or is a national stage entry under 35 U.S.C. 371. iv. This certification and request is being filed prior to the mailing of a first Office action responsive to the request for continued examination. v. No prior request for continued examination has been granted prioritized examination status under 37 CFR 1.102(e)(2). 								
Signature	/Amy E. Mandragouras, Esq./	Date	September 14, 2017					
Name Amy F Mandragouras Esq. Practitioner 36 207								
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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.821

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith in connection with the above-referenced patent application and in full compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 is a computer readable copy and paper copy of the Sequence Listing (filed together as a .txt file via the United States Patent Office's Electronic Filing System).

I hereby state that I have reviewed the paper copy of the Sequence Listing, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(c), and have reviewed the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), and that the content of the paper and computer readable copies for the above-referenced patent application are the same as required by 37 CFR 1.821(f) (note that these documents are submitted as one electronic file). No new matter has been added to the Sequence Listing.

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As the below r	named inventor, I hereby declare that:
This declaration is directed to:	
The above-ide	entified application was made or authorized to be made by me.
I believe that I	am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.
I hereby ackno by fine or impr	owledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 U.S.C. 1001 risonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.
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LEGAL NAM	ME OF INVENTOR
Inventor:	Stephen Donald WILTON Date (Optional): 26/03/13
Signature: _	1164
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The above-identified	d application was made or authorized to be made by me.							
I believe that I am th	ne original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.							
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As the below r	named inventor, I hereby declare that:							
This declaration The attached application, or is directed to: X United States application or PCT international application number 13/741,150 filed on 01/14/2013 .								
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Publication I	nformation:						
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Statement under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78 for AIA (First Inventor to File) Transition **Applications**

This application (1) claims priority to or the benefit of an application filed before March 16, 2013 and (2) also contains, or contained at any time, a claim to a claimed invention that has an effective filing date on or after March
16, 2013.
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- 1. Authorization to Permit Access by a Foreign Intellectual Property Office(s)
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- B. <u>Search Results from U.S. Application to EPO</u> Unless box B in subsection 2 (opt-out of authorization) is checked, the undersigned hereby <u>grants the USPTO authority</u> to provide the EPO access to the bibliographic data and search results from the instant patent application when a European patent application claiming priority to the instant patent application is filed. See 37 CFR 1.14(h)(2).

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Applicant Information:

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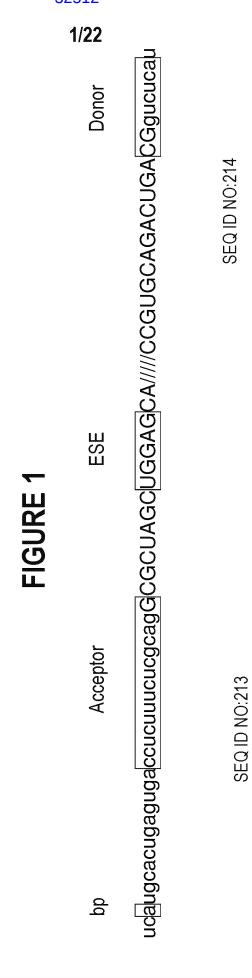
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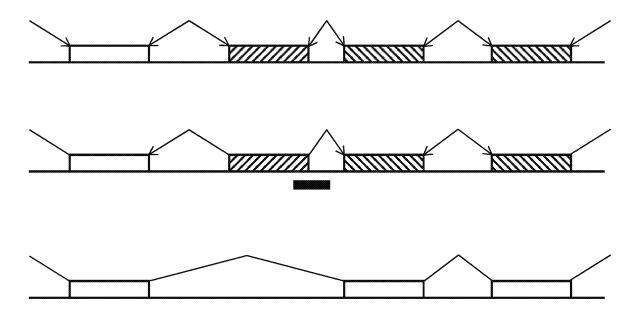


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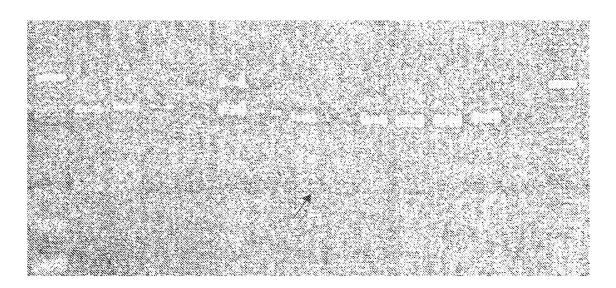


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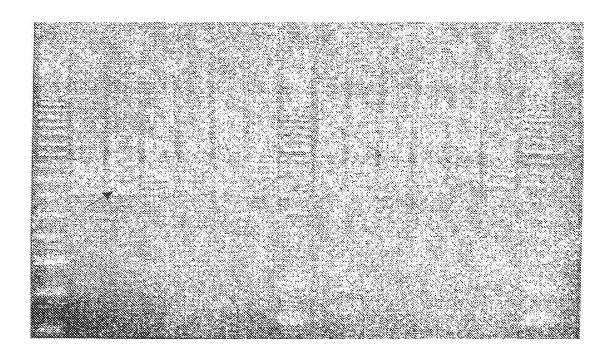


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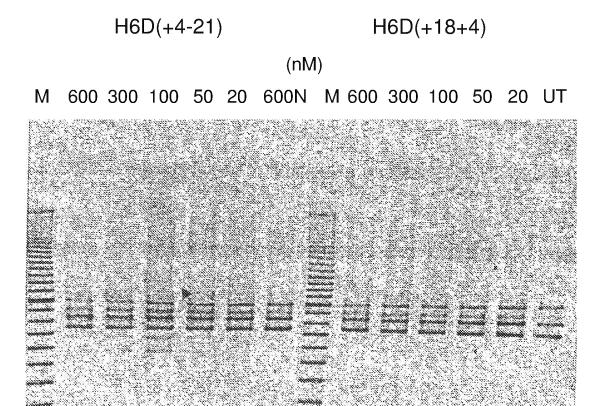


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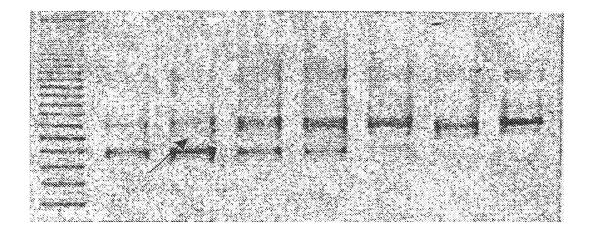


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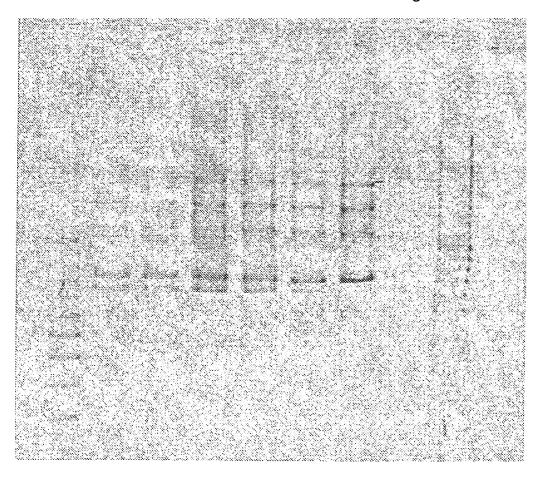


FIGURE 7

FIGURE 8A

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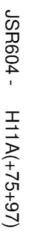
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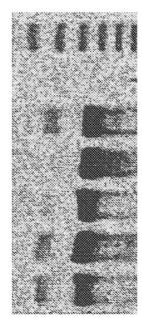
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100bp

FIGURE 8B





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Neg. cont.

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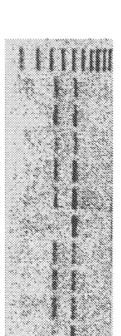
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H16A(-12+19) **JSR390** FIGURE 9B **JSR309**

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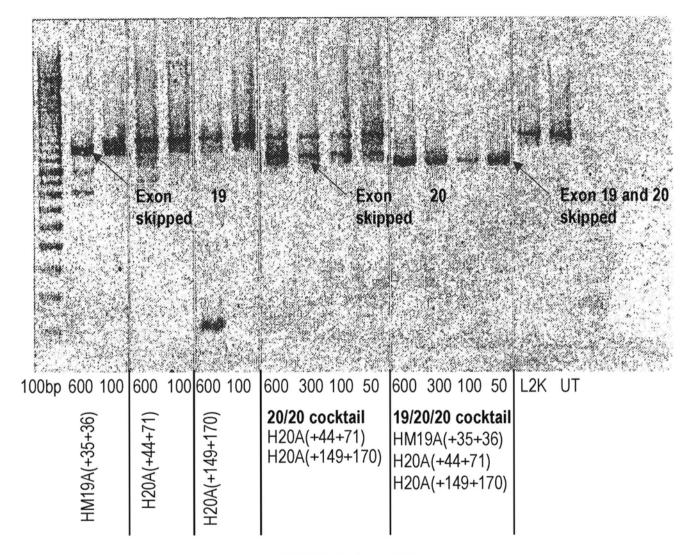
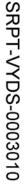
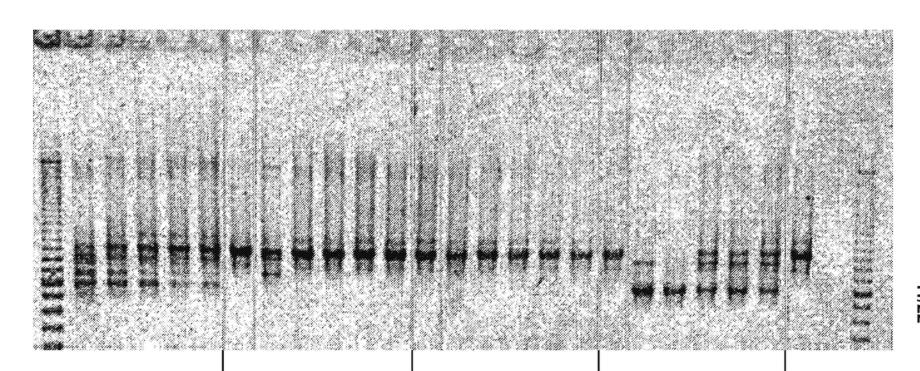


FIGURE 10





Weasel19/20/20 H19A(+35+53)-aa-H20A(+44+63)-aa-H20A(+149+168)

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FIGURE 11

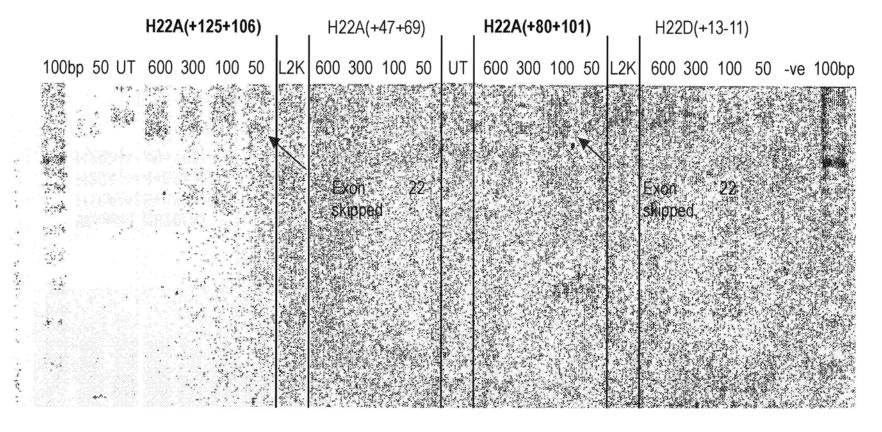
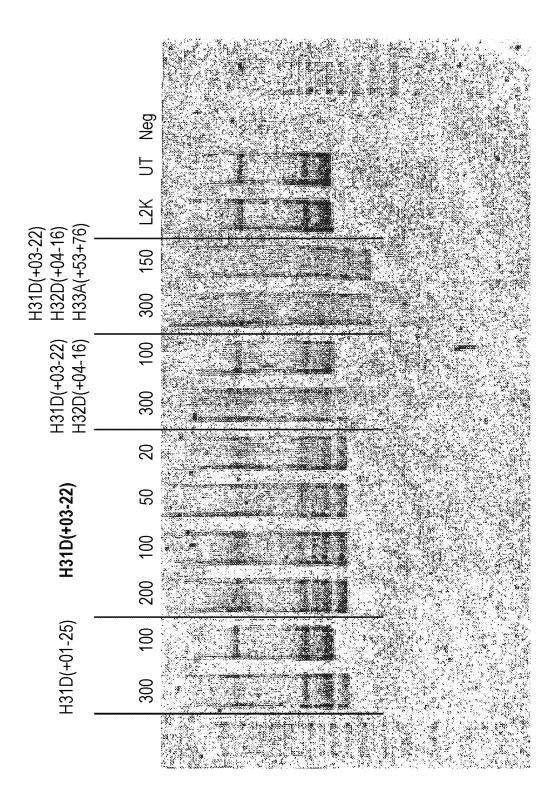
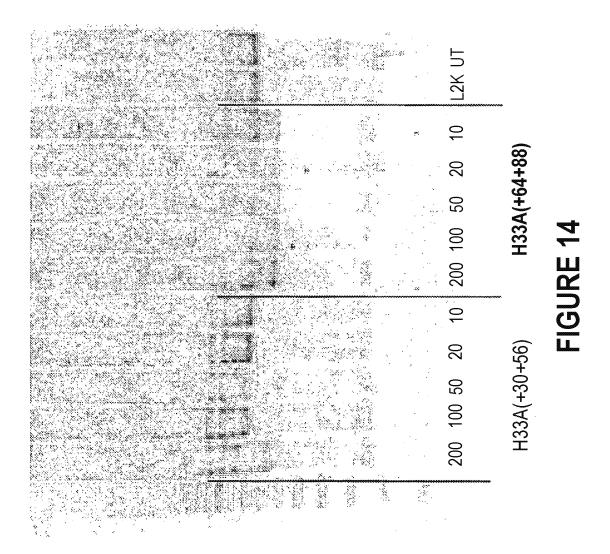


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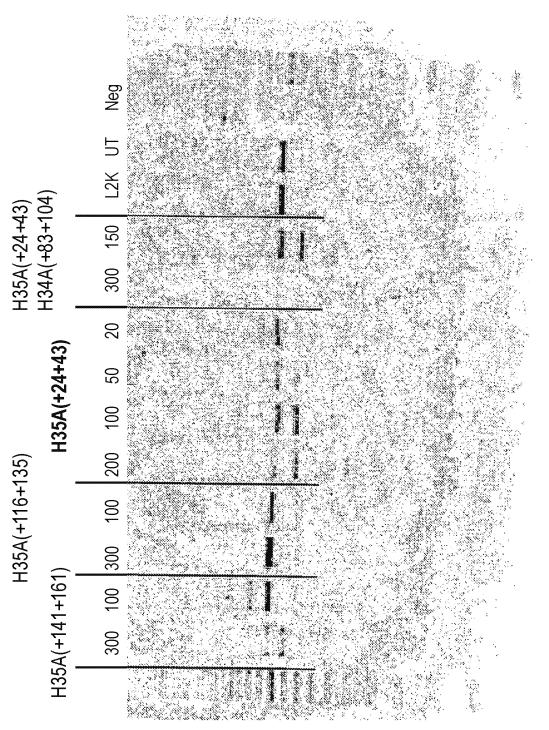
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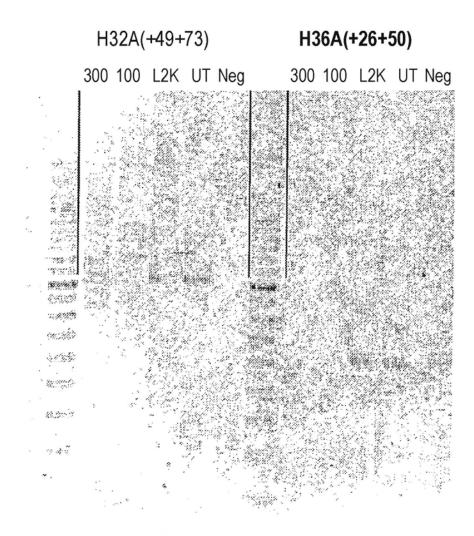


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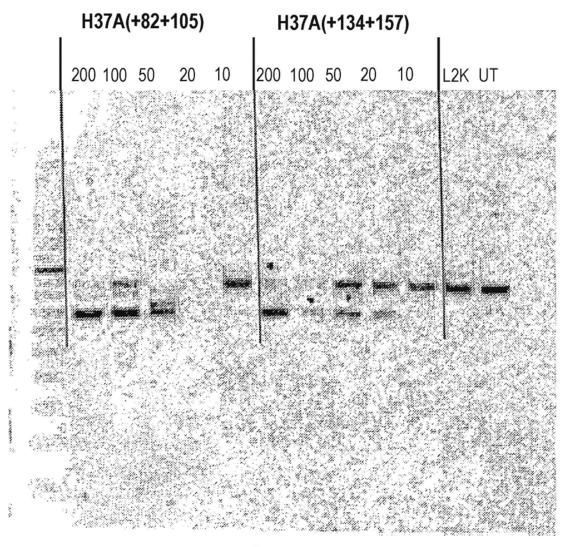


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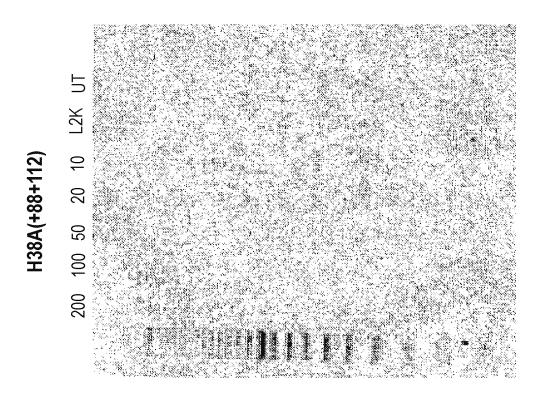


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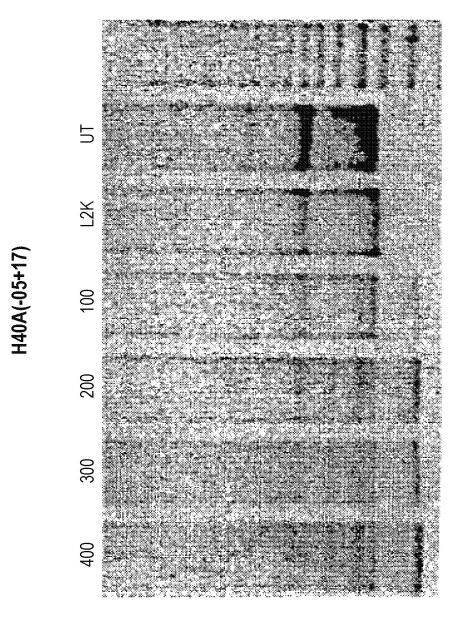
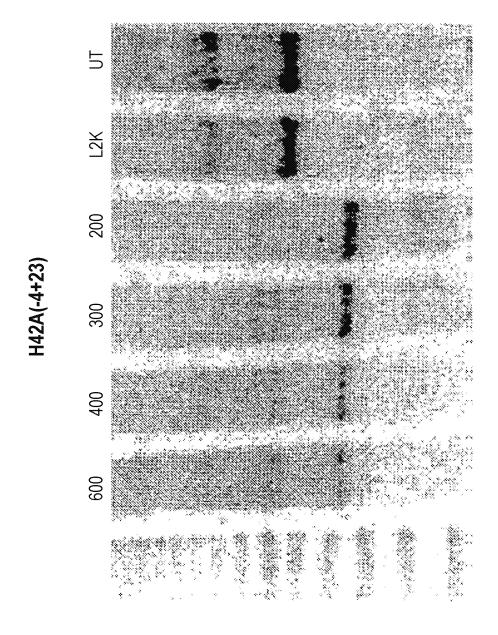


FIGURE 19





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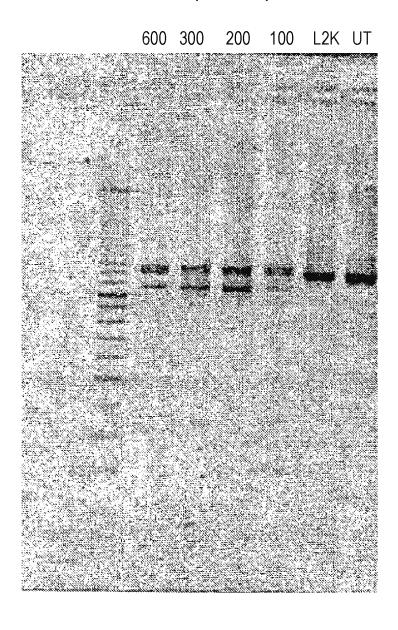
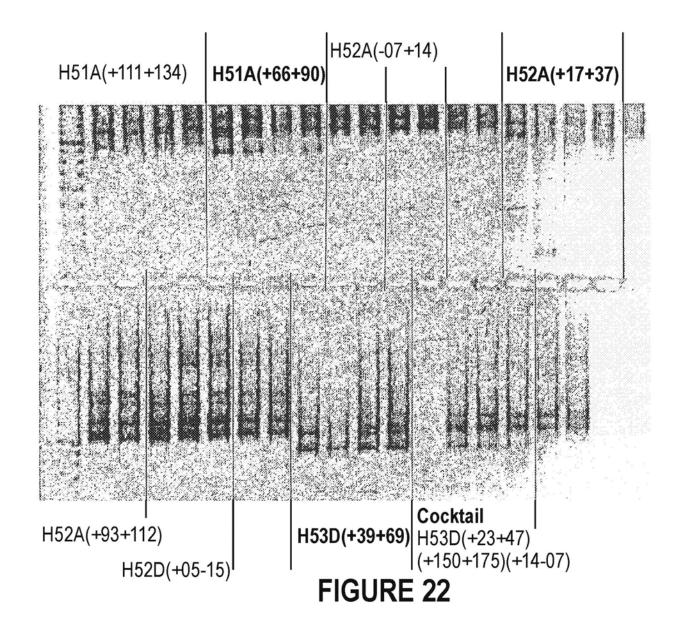


FIGURE 21



ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR INDUCING EXON SKIPPING AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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STATEMENT REGARDING SEQUENCE LISTING

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25 FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to novel antisense compounds and compositions suitable for facilitating exon skipping. It also provides methods for inducing

exon skipping using the novel antisense compounds as well as therapeutic compositions adapted for use in the methods of the invention.

BACKGROUND ART

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Significant effort is currently being expended researching methods for suppressing or compensating for disease-causing mutations in genes. Antisense technologies are being developed using a range of chemistries to affect gene expression at a variety of different levels (transcription, splicing, stability, translation). Much of that research has focused on the use of antisense compounds to correct or compensate for abnormal or disease-associated genes in a myriad of different conditions.

Antisense molecules are able to inhibit gene expression with exquisite specificity and because of this many research efforts concerning oligonucleotides as modulators of gene expression have focused on inhibiting the expression of targeted genes such as oncogenes or viral genes. The antisense oligonucleotides are directed either against RNA (sense strand) or against DNA where they form triplex structures inhibiting transcription by RNA polymerase II. To achieve a desired effect in specific gene down-regulation, the oligonucleotides must either promote the decay of the targeted mRNA or block translation of that mRNA, thereby effectively preventing *de novo* synthesis of the undesirable target protein.

Such techniques are not useful where the object is to up-regulate production of the native protein or compensate for mutations which induce premature termination of translation such as nonsense or frame-shifting mutations. Furthermore, in cases where a normally functional protein is prematurely terminated because of mutations therein, a means for restoring some functional protein production through antisense technology has been shown to be possible through intervention during the splicing processes (Sierakowska H, et al., (1996) Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 93, 12840-12844; Wilton SD, et al., (1999)

Neuromusc Disorders 9, 330-338; van Deutekom JC et al., (2001) Human Mol Genet 10, 1547-1554). In these cases, the defective gene transcript should not be subjected to

targeted degradation so the antisense oligonucleotide chemistry should not promote target mRNA decay.

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In a variety of genetic diseases, the effects of mutations on the eventual expression of a gene can be modulated through a process of targeted exon skipping during the splicing process. The splicing process is directed by complex multi-particle machinery that brings adjacent exon-intron junctions in pre-mRNA into close proximity and performs cleavage of phosphodiester bonds at the ends of the introns with their subsequent reformation between exons that are to be spliced together. This complex and highly precise process is mediated by sequence motifs in the pre-mRNA that are relatively short semi-conserved RNA segments to which bind the various nuclear splicing factors that are then involved in the splicing reactions. By changing the way the splicing machinery reads or recognises the motifs involved in pre-mRNA processing, it is possible to create differentially spliced mRNA molecules. It has now been recognised that the majority of human genes are alternatively spliced during normal gene expression, although the mechanisms invoked have not been identified. Using antisense oligonucleotides, it has been shown that errors and deficiencies in a coded mRNA could be bypassed or removed from the mature gene transcripts.

In nature, the extent of genetic deletion or exon skipping in the splicing process is not fully understood, although many instances have been documented to occur, generally at very low levels (Sherrat TG, *et al.*, (1993) Am J Hum Genet 53, 1007-1015). However, it is recognised that if exons associated with disease-causing mutations can be specifically deleted from some genes, a shortened protein product can sometimes be produced that has similar biological properties of the native protein or has sufficient biological activity to ameliorate the disease caused by mutations associated with the target exon (Lu QL, *et al.*, (2003) Nature Medicine 9, 1009-1014; Aartsma-Rus A *et al.*, (2004) Am J Hum Genet 74: 83-92).

This process of targeted exon skipping is likely to be particularly useful in long genes where there are many exons and introns, where there is redundancy in the genetic constitution of the exons or where a protein is able to function without one or more

particular exons (*e.g.* with the dystrophin gene, which consists of 79 exons; or possibly some collagen genes which encode for repeated blocks of sequence or the huge nebulin or titin genes which are comprised of ~80 and over 370 exons, respectively).

Efforts to redirect gene processing for the treatment of genetic diseases associated with truncations caused by mutations in various genes have focused on the use of antisense oligonucleotides that either: (1) fully or partially overlap with the elements involved in the splicing process; or (2) bind to the pre-mRNA at a position sufficiently close to the element to disrupt the binding and function of the splicing factors that would normally mediate a particular splicing reaction which occurs at that element (*e.g.*, binds to the pre-mRNA at a position within 3, 6, or 9 nucleotides of the element to be blocked).

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For example, modulation of mutant dystrophin pre-mRNA splicing with antisense oligoribonucleotides has been reported both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. In one type of dystrophin mutation reported in Japan, a 52-base pair deletion mutation causes exon 19 to be removed with the flanking introns during the splicing process (Matsuo *et al.*, (1991) J Clin Invest., 87:2127-2131). An *in vitro* minigene splicing system has been used to show that a 31-mer 2'-O-methyl oligoribonucleotide complementary to the 5' half of the deleted sequence in dystrophin Kobe exon 19 inhibited splicing of wild-type *pre-mRNA* (Takeshima *et al.* (1995), J. Clin. Invest., 95, 515-520). The same oligonucleotide was used to induce exon skipping from the native dystrophin gene transcript in human cultured lymphoblastoid cells.

Dunckley *et al.*, (1997) <u>Nucleosides & Nucleotides</u>, 16, 1665-1668 described *in vitro* constructs for analysis of splicing around exon 23 of mutated dystrophin in the *mdx* mouse mutant, a model for muscular dystrophy. Plans to analyse these constructs *in vitro* using 2' modified oligonucleotides targeted to splice sites within and adjacent to mouse dystrophin exon 23 were discussed, though no target sites or sequences were given.

2'-O-methyl oligoribonucleotides were subsequently reported to correct dystrophin deficiency in myoblasts from the *mdx* mouse from this group. An antisense oligonucleotide targeted to the 3' splice site of murine dystrophin intron 22 was reported to

cause skipping of the mutant exon as well as several flanking exons and created a novel inframe dystrophin transcript with a novel internal deletion. This mutated dystrophin was expressed in 1-2% of antisense treated mdx myotubes. Use of other oligonucleotide modifications such as 2'-O-methoxyethyl phosphodiesters are described (Dunckley *et al.* (1998) Human Mol. Genetics, 5, 1083-90).

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Thus, antisense molecules may provide a tool in the treatment of genetic disorders such as Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD). However, attempts to induce exon skipping using antisense molecules have had mixed success. Studies on dystrophin exon 19, where successful skipping of that exon from the dystrophin pre-mRNA was achieved using a variety of antisense molecules directed at the flanking splice sites or motifs within the exon involved in exon definition as described by Errington *et al.* (2003) <u>J</u> Gen Med 5, 518-527".

In contrast to the apparent ease of exon 19 skipping, the first report of exon 23 skipping in the *mdx* mouse by Dunckley *et al.*, (1998) is now considered to be reporting only a naturally occurring revertant transcript or artefact rather than any true antisense activity. In addition to not consistently generating transcripts missing exon 23, Dunckley *et al.*, (1998) did not show any time course of induced exon skipping, or even titration of antisense oligonucleotides, to demonstrate dose dependent effects where the levels of exon skipping corresponded with increasing or decreasing amounts of antisense oligonucleotide. Furthermore, this work could not be replicated by other researchers.

The first example of specific and reproducible exon skipping in the *mdx* mouse model was reported by Wilton *et al.*, (1999) Neuromuscular Disorders 9, 330-338. By directing an antisense molecule to the donor splice site, consistent and efficient exon 23 skipping was induced in the dystrophin mRNA within 6 hours of treatment of the cultured cells. Wilton *et al*, (1999), also describe targeting the acceptor region of the mouse dystrophin pre-mRNA with longer antisense oligonucleotides and being unable to repeat the published results of Dunckley *et al.*, (1998). No exon skipping, either 23 alone or multiple removal of several flanking exons, could be reproducibly detected using a selection of antisense oligonucleotides directed at the acceptor splice site of intron 22.

While the first antisense oligonucleotide directed at the intron 23 donor splice site induced consistent exon skipping in primary cultured myoblasts, this compound was found to be much less efficient in immortalized cell cultures expressing higher levels of dystrophin. However, with refined targeting and antisense oligonucleotide design, the efficiency of specific exon removal was increased by almost an order of magnitude (see Mann CJ *et al.*, (2002) J Gen Med 4, 644-654).

Thus, there remains a need to provide antisense oligonucleotides capable of binding to and modifying the splicing of a target nucleotide sequence. Simply directing the antisense oligonucleotides to motifs presumed to be crucial for splicing is no guarantee of the efficacy of that compound in a therapeutic setting.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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The present invention provides antisense molecule compounds and compositions suitable for binding to RNA motifs involved in the splicing of pre-mRNA that are able to induce specific and efficient exon skipping and a method for their use thereof.

The choice of target selection plays a crucial role in the efficiency of exon skipping and hence its subsequent application of a potential therapy. Simply designing antisense molecules to target regions of pre-mRNA presumed to be involved in splicing is no guarantee of inducing efficient and specific exon skipping. The most obvious or readily defined targets for splicing intervention are the donor and acceptor splice sites although there are less defined or conserved motifs including exonic splicing enhancers, silencing elements and branch points.

The acceptor and donor splice sites have consensus sequences of about 16 and 8 bases respectively (see Figure 1 for schematic representation of motifs and domains involved in exon recognition, intron removal and the splicing process).

According to a first aspect, the invention provides antisense molecules capable of binding to a selected target to induce exon skipping.

For example, to induce exon skipping in exons 3 to 8, 10 to 16, 19 to 40, 42 to 44, 46, 47, and 50 to 53 in the Dystrophin gene transcript the antisense molecules are preferably selected from the group listed in Table 1A.

In a further example, it is possible to combine two or more antisense oligonucleotides of the present invention together to induce multiple exon skipping in exons 19-20, and 53. This is a similar concept to targeting of a single exon. A combination or "cocktail" of antisense oligonucleotides are directed at adjacent exons to induce efficient exon skipping.

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In another example, to induce exon skipping in exons 19-20, 31, 34 and 53 it is possible to improve exon skipping of a single exon by joining together two or more antisense oligonucleotide molecules. This concept is termed by the inventor as a "weasel", an example of a cunningly designed antisense oligonucleotide. A similar concept has been described in Aartsma-Rus A *et al.*, (2004) Am J Hum Genet 74: 83-92).

According to a second aspect, the present invention provides antisense molecules selected and or adapted to aid in the prophylactic or therapeutic treatment of a genetic disorder comprising at least an antisense molecule in a form suitable for delivery to a patient.

According to a third aspect, the invention provides a method for treating a patient suffering from a genetic disease wherein there is a mutation in a gene encoding a particular protein and the affect of the mutation can be abrogated by exon skipping, comprising the steps of: (a) selecting an antisense molecule in accordance with the methods described herein; and (b) administering the molecule to a patient in need of such treatment.

The invention also addresses the use of purified and isolated antisense oligonucleotides of the invention, for the manufacture of a medicament for treatment of a genetic disease.

The invention further provides a method of treating a condition characterised by Duchenne muscular dystrophy, which method comprises administering to a patient in need of treatment an effective amount of an appropriately designed antisense oligonucleotide of the invention, relevant to the particular genetic lesion in that patient.

Further, the invention provides a method for prophylactically treating a patient to prevent or at least minimise Duchene muscular dystrophy, comprising the step of: administering to the patient an effective amount of an antisense oligonucleotide or a pharmaceutical composition comprising one or more of these biological molecules.

The invention also provides kits for treating a genetic disease, which kits comprise at least a antisense oligonucleotide of the present invention, packaged in a suitable container and instructions for its use.

Other aspects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art from a review of the ensuing description, which proceeds with reference to the following figures.

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Figure 1 Schematic representation of motifs and domains involved in exon recognition, intron removal and the splicing process (SEQ ID NOS: 213 and 214).

Figure 2 Diagrammatic representation of the concept of antisense oligonucleotide induced exon skipping to by-pass disease-causing mutations (not drawn to scale). The hatched box represents an exon carrying a mutation that prevents the translation of the rest of the mRNA into a protein. The solid black bar represents an antisense oligonucleotide that prevents inclusion of that exon in the mature mRNA.

Figure 3 Gel electrophoresis showing differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 8 acceptor splice site. The preferred compound [H8A(-06+18)] induces strong and consistent exon skipping at a transfection concentration of 20 nanomolar in cultured normal human muscle cells. The less preferred antisense oligonucleotide [H8A(-06+14)] also induces efficient exon skipping, but at much higher concentrations. Other antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 8 either only induced lower levels of exon skipping or no detectable skipping at all (not shown).

	Figure 4	Gel electrophoresis showing differing efficiencies of two antisense
		molecules directed at internal domains within exon 7, presumably exon
		splicing enhancers. The preferred compound [H7A(+45+67)] induces
		strong and consistent exon skipping at a transfection concentration of 20
5		nanomolar in cultured human muscle cells. The less preferred antisense
		oligonucleotide [H7A(+2+26)] induces only low levels of exon skipping at
		the higher transfection concentrations. Other antisense oligonucleotides
		directed at exon 7 either only induced lower levels of exon skipping or no
		detectable skipping at all (not shown).
10	Figure 5	Gel electrophoresis showing an example of low efficiency exon 6 skipping
		using two non-preferred antisense molecules directed at human exon 6
		donor splice site. Levels of induced exon 6 skipping are either very low
		[H6D(+04-21)] or almost undetectable [H6D(+18-04)]. These are examples
		of non-preferred antisense oligonucleotides to demonstrate that antisense
15		oligonucleotide design plays a crucial role in the efficacy of these
		compounds.
	Figure 6	Gel electrophoresis showing strong and efficient human exon 6 skipping
		using an antisense molecules [H6A(+69+91)] directed at an exon 6 internal
		domain, presumably an exon splicing enhancer. This preferred compound
20		induces consistent exon skipping at a transfection concentration of 20
		nanomolar in cultured human muscle cells.
	Figure 7	Gel electrophoresis showing strong human exon 4 skipping using an
		antisense molecule H4A(+13+32) directed at an exon 6 internal domain,
		presumably an exon splicing enhancer. This preferred compound induces
25		strong and consistent exon skipping at a transfection concentration of 20
		nanomolar in cultured human muscle cells,
	Figure 8A	Gel electrophoresis showing strong human exon 12 skipping using antisense
		molecule H12A(+52+75) directed at exon 12 internal domain.

	Figure 8B	Gel electrophoresis showing strong human exon 11 skipping using antisense
		molecule H11A(+75+97) directed at an exon 11 internal domain.
	Figure 9A	Gel electrophoresis showing strong human exon 15 skipping using antisense
		molecules H15A(+48+71) and H15A(-12+19) directed at an exon 15
5		internal domain.
	Figure 9B	Gel electrophoresis showing strong human exon 16 skipping using antisense
		molecules H16A(-12+19) and H16A(-06+25).
	Figure 10	Gel electrophoresis showing human exon 19/20 skipping using antisense
		molecules H20A(+44+71) and H20A(+149+170) directed at an exon 20 and
10		a "cocktail" of antisense oligonucleotides H19A(+35+65, H20A(+44+71)
		and H20A(+149+170) directed at exons 19/20.
	Figure 11	Gel electrophoresis showing human exon 19/20 skipping using "weasels"
		directed at exons 19 and 20.
	Figure 12	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 22 skipping using antisense molecules
15		H22A(+125+106), H22A(+47+69), H22A(+80+101) and H22D(+13-11)
		directed at exon 22.
	Figure 13	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 31 skipping using antisense molecules
		H31D(+01-25) and H31D(+03-22); and a "cocktail" of antisense molecules
		directed at exon 31.
20	Figure 14	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 33 skipping using antisense molecules
		H33A(+30+56) and H33A(+64+88) directed at exon 33.
	Figure 15	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 35 skipping using antisense molecules
		H35A(+141+161), H35A(+116+135), and H35A(+24+43) and a "cocktail of
		two antisense molecules, directed at exon 35.
25	Figure 16	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 36 skipping using antisense molecules
		H32A(+49+73) and H36A(+26+50) directed at exon 36.
	Figure 17	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 37 skipping using antisense molecules
		H37A(+82+105) and H37A(+134+157) directed at exon 37.

	Figure 18	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 38 skipping using antisense molecule
		H38A(+88+112) directed at exon 38.
	Figure 19	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 40 skipping using antisense molecule
		H40A(-05+17) directed at exon 40.
5	Figure 20	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 42 skipping using antisense molecule
		H42A(-04+23) directed at exon 42.
	Figure 21	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 46 skipping using antisense molecule
		H46A(+86+115) directed a# exon 46
	Figure 22	Gel electrophoresis showing exon 51, exon 52 and exon 53 skipping using
10		various antisense molecules directed at exons 51, 52 and 53, respectively. A
		"cocktail" of antisense molecules is also shown directed at exon 53.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEQUENCE LISTINGS

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4	H8A(-06+14)	GGU GGU AUC AAC AUC UGU AA
5	H8A(-10+10)	GUA UCA ACA UCU GUA AGC AC
6	H7A(+45+67)	UGC AUG UUC CAG UCG UUG UGU GG
7	H7A(+02+26)	CAC UAU UCC AGU CAA AUA GGU CUG G
8	H7D(+15-10)	AUU UAC CAA CCU UCA GGA UCG AGU A
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210	H45D(+16 -04)	CUA CCU CUU UUU UCU GUC UG
211	H45A(+71+90)	UGU UUU UGA GGA UUG CUG AA

Table 1A: Description of 2'-O-methyl phosphorothioate antisense oligonucleotides that have been used to date to study induced exon skipping during the processing of the dystrophin pre-mRNA. Since these 2'-O-methyl antisense oligonucleotides are more RNA-like, U represents uracil. With other antisense chemistries such as peptide nucleic acids or morpholinos, these U bases may be shown as "T".

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ID	SEQUENCE	NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE (5'-3')
81	H20A(+44+71)	CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU
82	H20A(+147+168)	GUU C
		CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C
80	H19A(+35+65)	GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUG GCA UCU
81	H20A(+44+71)	UGC
82	H20A(+147+168)	AGU U
		CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU
		GUU C
		CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C
194	H53D(+14-07)	UAC UAA CCU UGG UUU CUG UGA
195	H53A(+23+47)	CUG AAG GUG UUC UUG UAC UUC AUC C
196	H53A(+150+175)	UGU AUA GGG ACC CUC CUU CCA UGA
		CUC

Table 1B: Description of a cocktail of 2'-O-methyl phosphorothioate antisense oligonucleotides that have been used to date to study induced exon skipping during the processing of the dystrophin pre-mRNA.

SEQ	SEQUENCE	NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE (5'-3')
ID		
81	H20A(+44+71)-	CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU GUU C-
82	H20A(+147+168)	CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C
80	H19A(+35+65)-	GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUG GCA UCU UGC
		AGU U
88	H20A(+44+63)-	-AUU CGA UCC ACC GGC UGU UC-

SEQ	SEQUENCE	NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE (5'-3')
ID		
79	H20A(+149+168)	CUG CUG GCA UCU UGC AGU U
80	H19A(+35+65)-	GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUG GCA UCU UGC
		AGU U
88	H20A(+44+63)	-AUU CGA UCC ACC GGC UGU UC-
80	H19A(+35+65)-	GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUG GCA UCU UGC
		AGU U
79	H20A(+149+168)	-CUG CUG GCA UCU UGC AGU U
138	H34A(+46+70)-	CAU UCA UUU CCU UUC GCA UCU UAC G-
139	H34A(+94+120)	UGA UCU CUU UGU CAA UUC CAU AUC UG
124	H31D(+03-22)-	UAG UUU CUG AAA UAA CAU AUA CCU G-
	UU-	UU-
144	H35A(+24+43)	UCU UCA GGU GCA CCU UCU GU
195	H53A(+23+47)-	CUG AAG GUG UUC UUG UAC UUC AUC C-
	AA-	
196	H53A(+150+175)-	UGU AUA GGG ACC CUC CUU CCA UGA CUC-
	AA-	AA-
<u>194</u>	H53D(+14-07)	UAC UAA CCU UGG UUU CUG UGA
-	Aimed at exons	CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU CAA CUG
<u>212</u>	19/20/20	GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU GUU CAA
		GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUC GCA UCU
		UGC AGU

Table 1C: Description of a "weasel" of 2'-O-methyl phosphorothioate antisense oligonucleotides that have been used to date to study induced exon skipping during the processing of the dystrophin pre-mRNA.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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Those skilled in the art will appreciate that the invention described herein is susceptible to variations and modifications other than those specifically described. It is to be understood that the invention includes all such variation and modifications. The invention also includes all of the steps, features, compositions and compounds referred to or indicated in the specification, individually or collectively and any and all combinations or any two or more of the steps or features.

The present invention is not to be limited in scope by the specific embodiments described herein, which are intended for the purpose of exemplification only. Functionally equivalent products, compositions and methods are clearly within the scope of the invention as described herein.

Sequence identity numbers (SEQ ID NO:) containing nucleotide and amino acid sequence information included in this specification are collected at the end of the description and have been prepared using the programme Patentln Version 3.0. Each nucleotide or amino acid sequence is identified in the sequence listing by the numeric indicator <210> followed by the sequence identifier (*e.g.* <210>1, <210>2, etc.). The length, type of sequence and source organism for each nucleotide or amino acid sequence are indicated by information provided in the numeric indicator fields <211>, <212> and <213>, respectively. Nucleotide and amino acid sequences referred to in the specification are defined by the information provided in numeric indicator field <400> followed by the sequence identifier (*e.g.* <400>1, <400>2, etc.).

An antisense molecules nomenclature system was proposed and published to distinguish between the different antisense molecules (see Mann *et al.*, (2002) <u>J Gen Med</u> 4, 644-654). This nomenclature became especially relevant when testing several slightly different antisense molecules, all directed at the same target region, as shown below:

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The first letter designates the species (*e.g.* H: human, M: rnurine, C: canine) "#" designates target dystrophin exon number.

"A/D" indicates acceptor or donor splice site at the beginning and end of the exon, respectively.

25 (x y) represents the annealing coordinates where "-" or "+" indicate intronic or exonic sequences respectively. As an example, A(-6+18) would indicate the last 6 bases of the intron preceding the target exon and the first 18 bases of the target exon. The closest splice site would be the acceptor so these coordinates would be preceded with an "A".

Describing annealing coordinates at the donor splice site could be D(+2-18) where the last

2 exonic bases and the first 18 intronic bases correspond to the annealing site of the antisense molecule. Entirely exonic annealing coordinates that would be represented by A(+65+85), that is the site between the 65th and 85th nucleotide from the start of that exon.

The entire disclosures of all publications (including patents, patent applications, journal articles, laboratory manuals, books, or other documents) cited herein are hereby incorporated by reference. No admission is made that any of the references constitute prior art or are part of the common general knowledge of those working in the field to which this invention relates.

As used necessarily herein the term "derived" and "derived from" shall be taken to indicate that a specific integer may be obtained from a particular source *albeit* not directly from that source.

Throughout this specification, unless the context requires o#herwise, the word "comprise", or variations such as "comprises" or "comprising", will be understood to imply the inclusion of a stated integer or group of integers but not the exclusion of any other integer or group of integers.

Other definitions for selected terms used herein may be found within the detailed description of the invention and apply throughout. Unless otherwise defined, all other scientific and technical terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood to one of ordinary skill in the art to which the invention belongs.

20 DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

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When antisense molecule(s) are targeted to nucleotide sequences involved in splicing in exons within pre-mRNA sequences, normal splicing of the exon may be inhibited causing the splicing machinery to by-pass the entire mutated exon from the mature mRNA. The concept of antisense oligonucleotide induced exon skipping is shown in Figure 2. In many genes, deletion of an entire exon would lead to the production of a non-functional protein through the loss of important functional domains or the disruption of the reading frame. In some proteins, however, it is possible to shorten the protein by deleting one or more exons, without disrupting the reading frame, from within the protein

without seriously altering the biological activity of the protein. Typically, such proteins have a structural role and or possess functional domains at their ends. The present invention describes antisense molecules capable of binding to specified dystrophin premRNA targets and re-directing processing of that gene.

5 Antisense Molecules

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According to a first aspect of the invention, there is provided antisense molecules capable of binding to a selected target to induce exon skipping. To induce exon skipping in exons of the Dystrophin gene transcript, the antisense molecules are preferably selected from the group of compounds shown in Table 1A. There is also provided a combination or "cocktail" of two or more antisense oligonucleotides capable of binding to a selected target to induce exon skipping. To induce exon skipping in exons of the Dystrophin gene transcript, the antisense molecules in a "cocktail" are preferably selected from the group of compounds shown in Table 1B. Alternatively, exon skipping may be induced by antisense oligonucleotides joined together "weasels" preferably selected from the group of compounds shown in Table 1C.

Designing antisense molecules to completely mask consensus splice sites may not necessarily generate any skipping of the targeted exon. Furthermore, the inventors have discovered that size or length of the antisense oligonucleotide itself is not always a primary factor when designing antisense molecules. With some targets such as exon 19, antisense oligonucleotides as short as 12 bases were able to induce exon skipping, *albeit* not as efficiently as longer (20-31 bases) oligonucleotides. In some other targets, such as murine dystrophin exon 23, antisense oligonucleotides only 17 residues long were able to induce more efficient skipping than another overlapping compound of 25 nucleotides.

The inventors have also discovered that there does not appear to be any standard motif that can be blocked or masked by antisense molecules to redirect splicing. In some exons, such as mouse dystrophin exon 23, the donor splice site was the most amenable to target to re-direct skipping of that exon. It should be noted that designing and testing a series of exon 23 specific antisense molecules to anneal to overlapping regions of

the donor splice site showed considerable variation in the efficacy of induced exon skipping. As reported in Mann *et al.*, (2002) there was a significant variation in the efficiency of bypassing the nonsense mutation depending upon antisense oligonucleotide annealing ("Improved antisense oligonucleotide induced exon skipping in the *mdx* mouse model of muscular dystrophy". J Gen Med 4: 644-654). Targeting the acceptor site of exon 23 or several internal domains was not found to induce any consistent exon 23 skipping.

In other exons targeted for removal, masking the donor splice site did not induce any exon skipping. However, by directing antisense molecules to the acceptor splice site (human exon 8 as discussed below), strong and sustained exon skipping was induced. It should be noted that removal of human exon 8 was tightly linked with the coremoval of exon 9. There is no strong sequence homology between the exon 8 antisense oligonucleotides and corresponding regions of exon 9 so it does not appear to be a matter of cross reaction. Rather the splicing of these two exons is inextricably linked. This is not an isolated instance as the same effect is observed in canine cells where targeting exon 8 for removal also resulted in the skipping of exon 9. Targeting exon 23 for removal in the mouse dystrophin pre-mRNA also results in the frequent removal of exon 22 as well. This effect occurs in a dose dependent manner and also indicates close coordinated processing of 2 adjacent exons.

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In other targeted exons, antisense molecules directed at the donor or acceptor splice sites did not induce exon skipping while annealing antisense molecules to intra-exonic regions (*i.e.* exon splicing enhancers within human dystrophin exon 6) was most efficient at inducing exon skipping. Some exons, both mouse and human exon 19 for example, are readily skipped by targeting antisense molecules to a variety of motifs. That is, targeted exon skipping is induced after using antisense oligonucleotides to mask donor and acceptor splice sites or exon splicing enhancers.

To identify and select antisense oligonucleotides suitable for use in the modulation of exon skipping, a nucleic acid sequence whose function is to be modulated must first be identified. This may be, for example, a gene (or mRNA transcribed form the

gene) whose expression is associated with a particular disorder or disease state, or a nucleic acid molecule from an infectious agent. Within the context of the present invention, preferred target site(s) are those involved in mRNA splicing (*i.e.* splice donor sites, splice acceptor sites, or exonic splicing enhancer elements). Splicing branch points and exon recognition sequences or splice enhancers are also potential target sites for modulation of mRNA splicing.

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Preferably, the present invention aims to provide antisense molecules capable of binding to a selected target in the dystrophin pre-mRNA to induce efficient and consistent exon skipping. Duchenne muscular dystrophy arises from mutations that

10 preclude the synthesis of a functional dystrophin gene product. These Duchenne muscular dystrophy gene defects are typically nonsense mutations or genomic rearrangements such as deletions, duplications or micro-deletions or insertions that disrupt the reading frame. As the human dystrophin gene is a large and complex gene with the 79 exons being spliced together to generate a mature mRNA with an open reading frame of approximately 11,000 bases, there are many positions where these mutations can occur. Consequently, a comprehensive antisense oligonucleotide based therapy to address many of the different disease-causing mutations in the dystrophin gene will require that many exons can be targeted for removal during the splicing process.

Within the context of the present invention, preferred target site(s) are those involved in mRNA splicing (*i.e.* splice donor sites, splice acceptor sites or exonic splicing enhancer elements). Splicing branch points and exon recognition sequences or splice enhancers are also potential target sites for modulation of mRNA splicing.

The oligonucleotide and the DNA or RNA are complementary to each other when a sufficient number of corresponding positions in each molecule are occupied by nucleotides which can hydrogen bond with each other. Thus, "specifically hybridisable" and "complementary" are terms which are used to indicate a sufficient degree of complementarity or precise pairing such that stable and specific binding occurs between the oligonucleotide and the DNA or RNA target. It is understood in the art that the sequence of an antisense molecule need not be 100% complementary to that of its target sequence to

be specifically hybridisable. An antisense molecule is specifically hybridisable when binding of the compound to the target DNA or RNA molecule interferes with the normal function of the target DNA or RNA to cause a loss of utility, and there is a sufficient degree of complementarity to avoid non-specific binding of the antisense compound to non-target sequences under conditions in which specific binding is desired, *i.e.*, under physiological conditions in the case of *in vivo* assays or therapeutic treatment, and in the case of *in vitro* assays, under conditions in which the assays are performed.

While the above method may be used to select antisense molecules capable of deleting any exon from within a protein that is capable of being shortened without affecting its biological function, the exon deletion should not lead to a reading frame shift in the shortened transcribed mRNA. Thus, if in a linear sequence of three exons the end of the first exon encodes two of three nucleotides in a codon and the next exon is deleted then the third exon in the linear sequence must start with a single nucleotide that is capable of completing the nucleotide triplet for a codon. If the third exon does not commence with a single nucleotide there will be a reading frame shift that would lead to the generation of truncated or a non-functional protein.

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It wilt be appreciated that the codon arrangements at the end of exons in structural proteins may not always break at the end of a codon, consequently there may be a need to delete more than one exon from the pre-mRNA to ensure in-frame reading of the mRNA. In such circumstances, a plurality of antisense oligonucleotides may need to be selected by the method of the invention wherein each is directed to a different region responsible for inducing splicing in the exons that are to be deleted.

The length of an antisense molecule may vary so long as it is capable of binding selectively to the intended location within the pre-mRNA molecule. The length of such sequences can be determined in accordance with selection procedures described herein. Generally, the antisense molecule will be from about 10 nucleotides in length up to about 50 nucleotides in length. It will be appreciated however that any length of nucleotides within this range may be used in the method. Preferably, the length of the antisense molecule is between 17 to 30 nucleotides in length.

In order to determine which exons can be connected in a dystrophin gene, reference should be made to an exon boundary map. Connection of one exon with another is based on the exons possessing the same number at the 3' border as is present at the 5' border of the exon to which it is being connected. Therefore, if exon 7 were deleted, exon 6 must connect to either exons 12 or 18 to maintain the reading frame. Thus, antisense oligonucleotides would need to be selected which redirected splicing for exons 7 to 11 in the first instance or exons 7 to 17 in the second instance. Another and somewhat simpler approach to restore the reading frame around an exon 7 deletion would be to remove the two flanking exons. Induction of exons 6 and 8 skipping should result in an in-frame transcript with the splicing of exons 5 to 9. In practise however, targeting exon 8 for removal from the pre-mRNA results in the co-removal of exon 9 so the resultant transcript would have exon 5 joined to exon 10. The inclusion or exclusion of exon 9 does not alter the reading frame. Once the antisense molecules to be tested have been identified, they are prepared according to standard techniques known in the art. The most common method for producing antisense molecules is the methylation of the 2' hydroxyribose position and the incorporation of a phosphorothioate backbone produces molecules that superficially resemble RNA but that are much more resistant to nuclease degradation.

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To avoid degradation of pre-mRNA during duplex formation with the antisense molecules, the antisense molecules used in the method may be adapted to minimise or prevent cleavage by endogenous RNase H. This property is highly preferred as the treatment of the RNA with the unmethylated oligonucleotides either intracellularly or in crude extracts that contain RNase H leads to degradation of the pre-mRNA: antisense oligonucleotide duplexes. Any form of modified antisense molecules that is capable of bypassing or not inducing such degradation may be used in the present method. An example of antisense molecules which when duplexed with RNA are not cleaved by cellular RNase H is 2'-O-methyl derivatives. 2'-O-methyl-oligoribonucleotides are very stable in a cellular environment and in animal tissues, and their duplexes with RNA have higher Tm values than their ribo- or deoxyribo- counterparts.

Antisense molecules that do not activate RNase H can be made in accordance with known techniques (see, e.g., U.S. Pat. 5,149,797). Such antisense molecules, which may be deoxyribonucleotide or ribonucleotide sequences, simply contain any structural modification which sterically hinders or prevents binding of RNase H to a duplex molecule containing the oligonucleotide as one member thereof, which structural modification does not substantially hinder or disrupt duplex formation. Because the portions of the oligonucleotide involved in duplex formation are substantially different from those portions involved in RNase H binding thereto, numerous antisense molecules that do not activate RNase H are available. For example, such antisense molecules may be oligonucleotides wherein at least one, or all, of the inter-nucleotide bridging phosphate residues are modified phosphates, such as methyl phosphonates, methyl phosphorothioates, phosphoromorpholidates, phosphoropiperazidates and phosphoramidates. For example, every other one of the internucleotide bridging phosphate residues may be modified as described. In another non-limiting example, such antisense molecules are molecules wherein at least one, or all, of the nucleotides contain a 2' lower alkyl moiety (e.g., C₁-C₄, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated alkyl, such as methyl, ethyl, ethenyl, propyl, 1propenyl, 2-propenyl, and isopropyl). For example, every other one of the nucleotides may be modified as described.

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While antisense oligonucleotides are a preferred form of the antisense molecules, the present invention comprehends other oligomeric antisense molecules, including but not limited to oligonucleotide mimetics such as are described below.

Specific examples of preferred antisense compounds useful in this invention include oligonucleotides containing modified backbones or non-natural inter-nucleoside linkages. As defined in this specification, oligonucleotides having modified backbones include those that retain a phosphorus atom in the backbone and those that do not have a phosphorus atom in the backbone. For the purposes of this specification, and as sometimes referenced in the art, modified oligonucleotides that do not have a phosphorus atom in their inter-nucleoside backbone can also be considered to be oligonucleosides.

In other preferred oligonucleotide mimetics, both the sugar and the internucleoside linkage, *i.e.*, the backbone, of the nucleotide units are replaced with novel groups. The base units are maintained for hybridization with an appropriate nucleic acid target compound. One such oligomeric compound, an oligonucleotide mimetic that has been shown to have excellent hybridization properties, is referred to as a peptide nucleic acid (PNA). In PNA compounds, the sugar-backbone of an oligonucleotide is replaced with an amide containing backbone, in particular an aminoethylglycine backbone. The nucleo-bases are retained and are bound directly or indirectly to aza nitrogen atoms of the amide portion of the backbone.

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Modified oligonucleotides may also contain one or more substituted sugar moieties. Oligonucleotides may also include nucleobase (often referred to in the art simply as "base") modifications or substitutions. Certain nucleo-bases are particularly useful for increasing the binding affinity of the oligomeric compounds of the invention. These include 5-substituted pyrimidines, 6-azapyrimidines and N-2, N-6 and O-6 substituted purines, including 2-aminopropyladenine, 5-propynyluracil and 5-propynylcytosine. 5-methylcytosine substitutions have been shown to increase nucleic acid duplex stability by 0.6-1.2°C and are presently preferred base substitutions, even more particularly when combined with 2'-O-methoxyethyl sugar modifications.

Another modification of the oligonucleotides of the invention involves

chemically linking to the oligonucleotide one or more moieties or conjugates that enhance
the activity, cellular distribution or cellular uptake of the oligonucleotide. Such moieties
include but are not limited to lipid moieties such as a cholesterol moiety, cholic acid, a
thioether, e.g., hexyl-S-tritylthiol, a thiocholesterol, an aliphatic chain, e.g., dodecandiol or
undecyl residues, a phospholipid, e.g., di-hexadecyl-rac-glycerol or triethylammonium 1,2
di-O-hexadecyl-rac-glycero-3-H-phosphonate, a polyamine or a polyethylene glycol chain,
or adamantane acetic acid, a palmityl moiety, or an octadecylamine or hexylaminocarbonyl-oxycholesterol moiety.

It is not necessary far all positions in a given compound to be uniformly modified, and in fact more than one of the aforementioned modifications may be

incorporated in a single compound or even at a single nucleoside within an oligonucleotide. The present invention also includes antisense compounds that are chimeric compounds. "Chimeric" antisense compounds or "chimeras," in the context of this invention, are antisense molecules, particularly oligonucleotides, which contain two or more chemically distinct regions, each made up of at least one monomer unit, *i.e.*, a nucleotide in the case of an oligonucleotide compound. These oligonucleotides typically contain at least one region wherein the oligonucleotide is modified so as to confer upon the increased resistance to nuclease degradation, increased cellular uptake, and an additional region for increased binding affinity for the target nucleic acid.

10 Methods of Manufacturing Antisense Molecules

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The antisense molecules used in accordance with this invention may be conveniently and routinely made through the well-known technique of solid phase synthesis. Equipment for such synthesis is sold by several vendors including, for example, Applied Biosystems (Foster City, Calif.). One method for synthesising oligonucleotides on a modified solid support is described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,458,066.

Any other means for such synthesis known in the art may additionally or alternatively be employed. It is well known to use similar techniques to prepare oligonucleotides such as the phosphorothioates ~ and alkylated derivatives. In one such automated embodiment, diethyl-phosphoramidites are used as starting materials and may be synthesized as described by Beaucage, *et al.*, (1981) *Tetrahedron Letters*, 22:1859-1862.

The antisense molecules of the invention are synthesised *in vitro* and do not include antisense compositions of biological origin, or genetic vector constructs designed to direct the *in vivo* synthesis of antisense molecules. The molecules of the invention may also be mixed, encapsulated, conjugated or otherwise associated with other molecules, molecule structures or mixtures of compounds, as for example, liposomes, receptor targeted molecules, oral, rectal, topical or other formulations, for assisting in uptake, distribution and/or absorption.

Therapeutic Agents

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The present invention also can be used as a prophylactic or therapeutic, which may be utilised for the purpose of treatment of a genetic disease.

Accordingly, in one embodiment the present invention provides antisense molecules that bind to a selected target in the dystrophin pre-mRNA to induce efficient and consistent exon skipping described herein in a therapeutically effective amount admixed with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent, or excipient.

The phrase "pharmaceutically acceptable" refers to molecular entities and compositions that are physiologically tolerable and do not typically produce an allergic or similarly untoward reaction, such as gastric upset and the like, when administered to a patient. The term "carrier" refers to a diluent, adjuvant, excipient, or vehicle with which the compound is administered. Such pharmaceutical carriers can be sterile liquids, such as water and oils, including those of petroleum, animal, vegetable or synthetic origin, such as peanut oil, soybean oil, mineral oil, sesame oil and the like. Water or saline solutions and aqueous dextrose and glycerol solutions are preferably employed as carriers, particularly for injectable solutions. Suitable pharmaceutical carriers are described in Martin, *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences*, 18th Ed., Mack Publishing Co., Easton, PA, (1990).

In a more specific form of the invention there are provided pharmaceutical compositions comprising therapeutically effective amounts of an antisense molecule together with pharmaceutically acceptable diluents, preservatives, solubilizers, emulsifiers, adjuvants and/or carriers. Such compositions include diluents of various buffer content (*e.g.*, Tris-HCl, acetate, phosphate), pH and ionic strength and additives such as detergents and solubilizing agents (*e.g.*, Tween 80, Polysorbate 80), anti-oxidants (*e.g.*, ascorbic acid, sodium metabisulfite), preservatives (*e.g.*, Thimersol, benzyl alcohol) and bulking substances (*e.g.*, lactose, mannitol). The material may be incorporated into particulate preparations of polymeric compounds such as polylactic acid, polyglycolic acid, etc. or into liposomes. Hylauronic acid may also be used. Such compositions may influence the physical state, stability, rate of *in vivo* release, and rate of *in vivo* clearance of the present proteins and derivatives. *See*, *e.g.*, *Martin*, *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences*, 18th Ed.

(1990, Mack Publishing Co., Easton, PA 18042) pages 1435-1712 that are herein incorporated by reference. The compositions may be prepared in liquid form, or may be in dried powder, such as lyophilised form.

It will be appreciated that pharmaceutical compositions provided according to the present invention may be administered by any means known in the art. Preferably, the pharmaceutical compositions for administration are administered by injection, orally, or by the pulmonary, or nasal route. The antisense molecules are more preferably delivered by intravenous, intra-arterial, intraperitoneal, intramuscular, or subcutaneous routes of administration.

10 Antisense molecule based therapy

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Also addressed by the present invention is the use of antisense molecules of the present invention, for manufacture of a medicament for modulation of a genetic disease.

The delivery of a therapeutically useful amount of antisense molecules may be achieved by methods previously published. For example, intracellular delivery of the antisense molecule may be via a composition comprising an admixture of the antisense molecule and an effective amount of a block copolymer. An example of this method is described in US patent application US 20040248833.

Other methods of delivery of antisense molecules to the nucleus are
described in Mann CJ et al., (2001) ["Antisense-induced exon skipping and the synthesis of dystrophin in the mdx mouse". Proc., Natl. Acad. Science, 98(1) 42-47J and in Gebski etal., (2003). Human Molecular Genetics, 12(15): 1801-1811.

A method for introducing a nucleic acid molecule into a cell by way of an expression vector either as naked DNA or complexed to lipid carriers, is described in US patent US 6,806,084.

It may be desirable to deliver the antisense molecule in a colloidal dispersion system. Colloidal dispersion systems include macromolecule complexes,

nanocapsules, microspheres, beads, and lipid-based systems including oil-in-water emulsions, micelles, mixed micelles, and liposomes or liposome formulations.

Liposomes are artificial membrane vesicles which are useful as delivery vehicles *in vitro* and *in vivo*. These formulations may have net cationic, anionic or neutral charge characteristics and are useful characteristics with *in vitro*, *in vivo* and *ex vivo* delivery methods. It has been shown that large unilamellar vesicles (LUV), which range in size from 0.2-4.0 .PHI.m can encapsulate a substantial percentage of an aqueous buffer containing large macromolecules. RNA, and DNA can be encapsulated within the aqueous interior and be delivered to cells in a biologically active form (Fraley, *et al.*, Trends Biochem. Sci., 6:77, 1981).

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In order for a liposome to be an efficient gene transfer vehicle, the following characteristics should be present: (1) encapsulation of the antisense molecule of interest at high efficiency while not compromising their biological activity; (2) preferential and substantial binding to a target cell in comparison to non-target cells; (3) delivery of the aqueous contents of the vesicle to the target cell cytoplasm at high efficiency; and (4) accurate and effective expression of genetic information (Mannino, *et al.*, Biotechniques, 6:682, 1988).

The composition of the liposome is usually a combination of phospholipids, particularly high-phase-transition-temperature phospholipids, usually in combination with steroids, especially cholesterol. Other phospholipids or other lipids may also be used. The physical characteristics of liposomes depend on pH, ionic strength, and the presence of divalent cations.

Alternatively, the antisense construct may be combined with other pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or diluents to produce a pharmaceutical composition. Suitable carriers and diluents include isotonic saline solutions, for example phosphate-buffered saline. The composition may be formulated for parenteral, intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, intraocular, oral or transdermal administration.

The routes of administration described are intended only as a guide since a skilled practitioner will be able to determine readily the optimum route of administration

and any dosage for any particular animal and condition. Multiple approaches for introducing functional new genetic material into cells, both *in vitro* and *in vivo* have been attempted (Friedmann (1989) Science, 244:1275-1280).

These approaches include integration of the gene to be expressed into 5 modified retroviruses (Friedmann (1989) supra; Rosenberg (1991) Cancer Research 51(18), suppl.: 5074S-5079S); integration into non-retrovirus vectors (Rosenfeld, et al. (1992) Cell, 68:143-155; Rosenfeld, et al. (1991) Science, 252:431-434); or delivery of a transgene linked to a heterologous promoter-enhancer element via liposomes (Friedmann (1989), supra; Brigham, et al. (1989) Am. J. Med. Sci., 298:278-281; Nabel, et al. (1990) Science, 10 249:1285-1288; Hazinski, et al. (1991) Am. J. Resp. Cell Molec. Biol., 4:206-209; and Wang and Huang (1987) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA), 84:7851-7855); coupled to ligandspecific, cation-based transport systems (Wu and Wu (1988) J. Biol. Chem., 263:14621-14624) or the use of naked DNA, expression vectors (Nabel et al. (1990), supra); Wolff et al. (1990) Science, 247:1465-1468). Direct injection of transgenes into tissue produces 15 only localized expression (Rosenfeld (1992) supra); Rosenfeld et al. (1991) supra; Brigham et al. (1989) supra; Nabel (1990) supra; and Hazinski et al. (1991) supra). The Brigham et al. group (Am. J. Med. Sci. (1989) 298:278-281 and Clinical Research (1991) 39 (abstract)) have reported in vivo transfection only of lungs of mice following either intravenous or intratracheal administration of a DNA liposome complex. An example of a 20 review article of human gene therapy procedures is: Anderson, Science (1992) 256:808-813.

The antisense molecules of the invention encompass any pharmaceutically acceptable salts, esters, or salts of such esters, or any other compound which, upon administration to an animal including a human, is capable of providing (directly or indirectly) the biologically active metabolite or residue thereof. Accordingly, for example, the disclosure is also drawn to prodrugs and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compounds of the invention, pharmaceutically acceptable salts of such pro-drugs, and other bioequivalents.

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The term "pharmaceutically acceptable salts" refers to physiologically and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compounds of the invention: *i.e.*, salts that retain the desired biological activity of the parent compound and do not impart undesired toxicological effects thereto.

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For oligonucleotides, preferred examples of pharmaceutically acceptable salts include but are not limited to (a) salts formed with cations such as sodium, potassium, ammonium, magnesium, calcium, polyamines such as spermine and spermidine, etc.; (b) acid addition salts formed with inorganic acids, for example hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulfuric acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid and the like; (c) salts formed with organic acids such as, for example, acetic acid, oxalic acid, tartaric acid, succinic acid, malefic acid, fumaric acid, gluconic acid, citric acid, malic acid, ascorbic acid, benzoic acid, tannic acid, palmitic acid, alginic acid, polygiutamic acid, naphthalenesulfonic acid, methanesulfonic acid, p-toluenesulfonic acid, naphthalenedisulfonic acid, polygalacturonic acid, and the like; and (d) salts formed from elemental anions such as chlorine, bromine, and iodine. The pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may be administered in a number of ways depending upon whether local or systemic treatment is desired and upon the area to be treated. Administration may be topical (including ophthalmic and to mucous membranes including rectal delivery), pulmonary, e.g., by inhalation or insufflation of powders or aerosols, (including by nebulizer, intratracheal, intranasal, epidermal and transdermal), oral or parenteral. Parenteral administration includes intravenous, intra-arterial, subcutaneous, intraperitoneal or intramuscular injection or infusion; or intracranial, e.g., intrathecal or intraventricular, administration. Oligonucleotides with at least one 2'-O-methoxyethyl modification are believed to be particularly useful for oral administration.

The pharmaceutical formulations of the present invention, which may conveniently be presented in unit dosage form, may be prepared according to conventional techniques well known in the pharmaceutical industry. Such techniques include the step of bringing into association the active ingredients with the pharmaceutical carrier(s) or excipient(s). In general the formulations are prepared by uniformly and intimately bringing

into association the active ingredients with liquid carriers or finely divided solid carriers or both, and then, if necessary, shaping the product.

Kits of the Invention

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The invention also provides kits for treatment of a patient with a genetic disease which kit comprises at least an antisense molecule, packaged in a suitable container, together with instructions for its use.

In a preferred embodiment, the kits will contain at least one antisense molecule as shown in Table 1A, or a cocktail of antisense molecules as shown in Table 1B or a "weasel" compound as shown in Table 1C. The kits may also contain peripheral reagents such as buffers, stabilizers, etc.

Those of ordinary skill in the field should appreciate that applications of the above method has wide application for identifying antisense molecules suitable for use in the treatment of many other diseases.

EXAMPLES

The following Examples serve to more fully describe the manner of using the above-described invention, as well as to set forth the best modes contemplated for carrying out various aspects of the invention. It is understood that these Examples in no way serve to limit the true scope of this invention, but rather are presented for illustrative purposes. The references cited herein are expressly incorporated by reference.

Methods of molecular cloning, immunology and protein chemistry, which are not explicitly described in the following examples, are reported in the literature and are known by those skilled in the art. General texts that described conventional molecular biology, microbiology, and recombinant DNA techniques within the skill of the art, included, for example: Sambrook *et al*, *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York (1989); Glover ed., *DNA Cloning: A Practical Approach*, Volumes I and II, MRL Press, Ltd., Oxford, U.K. (1985); and Ausubel, F., Brent, R., Kingston, R.E., Moore, D.D., Seidman,

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DETERMINING INDUCED EXON SKIPPING IN HUMAN MUSCLE CELLS

Attempts by the inventors to develop a rational approach in antisense molecules design were not completely successful as there did not appear to be a consistent trend that could be applied to all exons. As such, the identification of the most effective and therefore most therapeutic antisense molecules compounds has been the result of empirical studies.

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These empirical studies involved the use of computer programs to identify motifs potentially involved in the splicing process. Other computer programs were also used to identify regions of the pre-mRNA which may not have had extensive secondary structure and therefore potential sites for annealing of antisense molecules. Neither of these approaches proved completely reliable in designing antisense oligonucleotides for reliable and efficient induction of exon skipping.

Annealing sites on the human dystrophin pre-mRNA were selected for examination, initially based upon known or predicted motifs or regions involved in splicing. 2OMe antisense oligonucleotides were designed to be complementary to the target sequences under investigation and were synthesised on an Expedite 8909 Nucleic Acid Synthesiser. Upon completion of synthesis, the oligonucleotides were cleaved from the support column and de-protected in ammonium hydroxide before being desalted. The quality of the oligonucleotide synthesis was monitored by the intensity of the trityl signals upon each deprotection step during the synthesis as detected in the synthesis log. The concentration of the antisense oligonucleotide was estimated by measuring the absorbance of a diluted aliquot at 260nm.

Specified amounts of the antisense molecules were then tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in an *in vitro* assay, as described below.

Briefly, normal primary myoblast cultures were prepared from human muscle biopsies obtained after informed consent. The cells were propagated and allowed

to differentiate into myotubes using standard culturing techniques. The cells were then transfected with the antisense oligonucleotides by delivery of the oligonucleotides to the dells as cationic lipoplexes, mixtures of antisense molecules or cationic liposome preparations.

The cells were then allowed to grow for another 24 hours, after which total RNA was extracted and molecular analysis commenced. Reverse transcriptase amplification (RT-PCR) was undertaken to study the targeted regions of the dystrophin pre-mRNA or induced exonic re-arrangements.

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skipping the RT-PCR test scanned several exons to detect involvement of any adjacent exons. For example, when inducing skipping of exon 19, RT-PCR was carried out with primers that amplified across exons 17 and 21. Amplifications of even larger products in this area (*i.e.* exons 13-26) were also carried out to ensure that there was minimal amplification bias for the shorter induced skipped transcript. Shorter or exon skipped products tend to be amplified more efficiently and may bias the estimated of the normal and induced transcript.

The sizes of the amplification reaction products were estimated on an agarose gel and compared against appropriate size standards. The final confirmation of identity of these products was carried out by direct DNA sequencing to establish that the correct or expected exon junctions have been maintained.

Once efficient exon skipping had been induced with one antisense molecule, subsequent overlapping antisense molecules may be synthesized and then evaluated in the assay as described above. Our definition of an efficient antisense molecule is one that induces strong and sustained exon skipping at transfection concentrations in the order of 300 nM or less.

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 8 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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Figure 3 shows differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 8 acceptor splice site. H8A(-06+18) [SEQ ID NO:1], which anneals to the last 6 bases of intron 7 and the first 18 bases of exon 8, induces substantial exon 8 and 9 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 20 nM. The shorter antisense molecule, H8A(-06+14) [SEQ ID NO: 4] was only able to induce exon 8 and 9 skipping at 300 nM, a concentration some 15 fold higher than H8A(-06+18), which is the preferred antisense molecule.

This data shows that some particular antisense molecules induce efficient exon skipping while another antisense molecule, which targets a near-by or overlapping region, can be much less efficient. Titration studies show one compound is able to induce targeted exon skipping at 20 nM while the less efficient antisense molecules only induced exon skipping at concentrations of 300 nM and above. Therefore, we have shown that targeting of the antisense molecules to motifs involved in the splicing process plays a crucial role in the overall efficacy of that compound.

Efficacy refers to the ability to induce consistent skipping of a target exon.

However, sometimes skipping of the target exons is consistently associated with a flanking exon. That is, we have found that the splicing of some exons is tightly linked. For example, in targeting exon 23 in the mouse model of muscular dystrophy with antisense molecules directed at the donor site of that exon, dystrophin transcripts missing exons 22 and 23 are frequently detected. As another example, when using an antisense molecule directed to exon 8 of the human dystrophin gene, all induced transcripts are missing both exons 8 and 9. Dystrophin transcripts missing only exon 8 are not observed.

Table 2 below discloses antisense molecule sequences that induce exon 8 (and 9) skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	Oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
1	H8A(-06+18)	5'-GAU AGG UGG UAU CAA	Very strong to 20
		CAU CUG UAA	nM
2	H8A (-03+18)	5'-GAU AGG UGG UAU CAA	Very strong
		CAU CUG	skipping to 40nM
3	H8A(-07+18)	5'-GAU AGG UGG UAU CAA	Strong skipping to
		CAU CUG UAA G	40nM
4	H8A(-06+14)	5'-GGU GGU AUC AAC AUC	Skipping to
		UGU AA	300nM
5	H8A(-10+10)	5'-GUA UCA ACA UCU GUA	Patchy/weak
		AGC AC	skipping to 100nm

Table 2

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 7 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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Figure 4 shows the preferred antisense molecule, H7A(+45+67) [SEQ ID NO: 6], and another antisense molecule, H7A(+2+26) [SEQ ID NO: 7], inducing exon 7 skipping. Nested amplification products span exons 3 to 9. Additional products above the induced transcript missing exon 7 arise from amplification from carry-over outer primers from the RT-PCR as well as heteroduplex formation.

Table 3 below discloses antisense molecule sequences for induced exon 7 skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
ID	Oligonucleotid		skipping
	e name		
6	H7A(+45+67)	5' - UGC AUG UUC CAG UCG UUG UGU	Strong skipping
		GG	to 20nM
7	H7A(+02+26)	5' - CAC UAU UCC AGU CAA AUA GGU	Weak skipping at
		CUG G	100nM
8	H7D(+15-10)	5' -AUU UAC CAA CCU UCA GGA UCG	Weak skipping to
		AGU A	300nM
9	H7A(-18+03)	5' - GGC CUA AAA CAC AUA CAC AUA	Weak skipping to
			300nM

Table 3

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 6 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 5 shows an example of two non-preferred antisense molecules inducing very low levels of exon 6 skipping in cultured human cells. Targeting this exon for specific removal was first undertaken during a study of the canine model using the oligonucleotides as listed in Table 4, below. Some of the human specific oligonucleotides were also evaluated, as shown in Figure 5. In this example, both antisense molecules target the donor splice site and only induced low levels of exon 6 skipping. Both H6D(+4-21) [SEQ ID NO: 17] and H6D(+18-4) [SEQ ID NO: 18] would be regarded as non-preferred antisense molecules.

One antisense oligonucleotide that induced very efficient exon 6 skipping in the canine model, C6A(+69+91) [SEQ ID NO: 14], would anneal perfectly to the corresponding region in human dystrophin exon 6. This compound was evaluated, found to be highly efficient at inducing skipping of that target exon, as shown in Figure 6 and is regarded as the preferred compound for induced exon 6 skipping. Table 4 below discloses antisense molecule sequences for induced exon 6 skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense Oligo	Sequence	Ability to induce
	name		skipping
10	C6A(-10+10)	5' CAU UUU UGA CCU ACA UGU	No skipping
		GG	
11	C6A(-14+06)	5' UUU GAC CUA CAU GUG GAA	No skipping
		AG	
12	C6A(-14+12)	5' UAC AUU UUU GAC CUA CAU	No skipping
		GUG GAA AG	
13	C6A(-13+09)	5' AUU UUU GAC CUA CAU GGG	No skipping
		AAA G	
14	CH6A(+69+91)	5' UAC GAG UUG AUU GUC GGA	Strong skipping to 20
		CCC AG	nМ
15	C6D(+12-13)	5' GUG GUC UCC UUA CCU AUG	Weak skipping at 300
		ACU GUG G	п M
16	C6D(+06-11)	5' GGU CUC CUU ACC UAU GA	No skipping
17	H6D(+04-21)	5' UGU CUC AGU AAU CUU CUU	Weak skipping to 50
		ACC UAU	n M
18	H6D(+18-04)	5' UCU UAC CUA UGA CUA UGG	Very weak skipping to
		AUG AGA	300 nM

Table 4

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 4 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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Figure 7 shows an example of a preferred antisense molecule inducing skipping of exon 4 skipping in cultured human cells. In this example, one preferred antisense compound, H4A(+13+32) [SEQ ID NO:19], which targeted a presumed exonic splicing enhancer induced efficient exon skipping at a concentration of 20 nM while other non-preferred antisense oligonucleotides failed to induce even low levels of exon 4 skipping. Another preferred antisense molecule inducing skipping of exon 4 was H4A(+111+40) [SEQ ID NO:22], which induced efficient exon skipping at a concentration of 20 nM.

Table 5 below discloses antisense molecule sequences for inducing exon 4 skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide name		induce
			skipping
19	H4A(+13+32)	5' GCA UGA ACU CUU GUG GAU CC	Skipping to
			20 nM
22	H4A(+11+40)	5' UGU UCA GGG CAU GAA CUC UUG UGG	Skipping to
		AUC CUU	20 nM
20	H4D(+04-16)	5' CCA GGG UAC UAC UUA CAU UA	No skipping
21	H4D(-24-44)	5' AUC GUG UGU CAC AGC AUC CAG	No skipping

Table 5

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 3 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as

5 described above.

H3A(+30+60) [SEQ ID NO:23] induced substantial exon 3 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 20 nM to 600 nM. The antisense molecule, H3A(+35+65) [SEQ ID NO: 24] induced exon skipping at 300 nM.

Table 6 below discloses antisense molecule sequences that induce exon 3

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide name		induce
			skipping
23	H3A(+30+60)	UAG GAG GCG CCU CCC AUC CUG UAG	Moderate
		GUC ACU G	skipping to
			20 to 600 nM
24	H3A(+35+65)	AGG UCU AGG AGG CGC CUC CCA UCC	Working to
		UGU AGG U	300 nM
25	H3A(+30+54)	GCG CCU CCC AUC CUG UAG GUC ACU G	Moderate
			100-600 nM
26	H3D(+46-21)	CUU CGA GGA GGU CUA GGA GGC GCC	No skipping
		UC	
27	H3A(+30+50)	CUC CCA UCC UGU AGG UCA CUG	Moderate 20-
			600 nM
28	H3D(+19-03)	UAC CAG UUU UUG CCC UGU CAG G	No skipping
29	H3A(-06+20)	UCA AUA UGC UGC UUCCCA AAC UGA	No skipping
		AA	

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide name		induce skipping
30	H3A(+37+61)	CUA GGA GGC GCC UCC CAU CCU GUA G	No skipping

Table 6

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 5 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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H5A(+20+50) [SEQ ID NO:31] induces substantial exon 5 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 100 nM. Table 7 below shows other antisense molecules tested. The majority of these antisense molecules were not as effective at exon skipping as H5A(+20+50). However, H5A(+15+45) [SEQ ID NO: 40] was able to induce exon 5 skipping at 300 nM.

Table 7 below discloses antisense molecule sequences that induce exon 5 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide	-	induce
	name		skipping
31	H5A(+20+50)	UUA UGA UUU CCA UCU ACG	Working to
		AUG UCA GUA CUU C	100 nM
32	H5D(+25-05)	CUU ACC UGC CAG UGG AGG	No skipping
		AUU AUA UUC CAA A	
33	H5D(+10-15)	CAU CAG GAU UCU UAC CUG	Inconsistent
		CCA GUG G	at 300 nM
34	H5A(+10+34)	CGA UGU CAG UAC UUC CAA	Very weak
		UAU UCA C	
35	H5D(-04-21)	ACC AUU CAU CAG GAU UCU	No skipping
36	H5D(+16-02)	ACC UGC CAG UGG AGG AUU	No skipping
37	H5A(-07+20)	CCA AUA UUC ACU AAA UCA	No skipping
		ACC UGU UAA	
38	H5D(+18-12)	CAG GAU UCU UAC CUG CCA	No skipping
		GUG GAG GAU UAU	

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
39	H5A(+05+35)	ACG AUG UCA GUA CUU CCA	No skipping
		AUA UUC ACU AAA U	
40	H5A(+15+45)	AUU UCC AUC UAC GAU GUC	Working to
		AGU ACU UCC AAU A	300 nM

Table 7

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 10 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H10A(-05+16) [SEQ ID NO:41] induced substantial exon 10 skipping when delivered into cells. Table 8 below shows other antisense molecules tested. The antisense molecules ability to induce exon skipping was variable. Table 8 below discloses antisense molecule sequences that induce exon 10 skipping.

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SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide name	-	induce skipping
41	H10A(-05+16)	CAG GAG CUU CCA AAU GCU GCA	Not tested
42	H10A(-05+24)	CUU GUC UUC AGG AGC UUC CAA	Not tested
		AUG CUG CA	
43	H10A(+98+119)	UCC UCA GCA GAA AGA AGC CAC G	Not tested
44	H10A(+130+149)	UUA GAA AUC UCU CCU UGU GC	No skipping
45	H10A(-33-14)	UAA AUU GGG UGU UAC ACA AU	No skipping

Table 8

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 11

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 11 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as

15 described above.

Figure 8B shows an example of H11A(+75+97) [SEQ ID NO:49] antisense molecule inducing exon 11 skipping in cultured human cells. H11A(+75+97) induced substantial exon 11 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 5 nM. Table 9

below shows other antisense molecules tested. The antisense molecules ability to induce exon skipping was observed at 100 nM.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide name		induce skipping
46	H11D(+26+49)	CCC UGA GGC AUU CCC AUC UUG	Skipping at 100
		AAU	nM
47	H11D(+11-09)	AGG ACU UAC UUG CUU UGU UU	Skipping at 100
			nM
48	H11A(+118+140)	CUU GAA UUU AGG AGA UUC AUC UG	Skipping at 100
			nM
49	H11A(+75+97)	CAU CUU CUG AUA AUU UUC CUG UU	Skipping at 100
			nM
46	H11D(+26+49)	CCC UGA GGC AUU CCC AUC UUG	Skipping at
		AAU	5nM

Table 9

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 12

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Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 12 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H12A(+52+75) [SEQ ID NO:50] induced substantial exon 12 skipping
when delivered into cells at a concentration of 5 nM, as shown in Figure 8A. Table 10
below shows other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100,
200 and 300 nM. The antisense molecules ability to induce exon skipping was variable.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
50	H12A(+52+75)	UCU UCU GUU UUU GUU AGC CAG UCA	Skipping at 5
			nM
51	H12A(-10+10)	UCU AUG UAA ACU GAA AAU UU	Skipping at
			100 n M
52	H12A(+11+30)	UUC UGG AGA UCC AUU AAA AC	No skipping

Table 10

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 13 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H13A(+77+100) [SEQ ID NO:53] induced substantial exon 13 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 5 nM. Table 11 below includes two other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100, 200 and 300 nM. These other antisense molecules were unable to induce exon skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
53	H13A(+77+100)	CAG CAG UUG CGU GAU CUC CAC UAG	Skipping at 5
			nM
54	H13A(+55+75)	UUC AUC AAC UAC CAC CAC CAU	No skipping
55	H13D(+06-19)	CUA AGC AAA AUA AUC UGA CCU UAA	No skipping
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Table 11

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 14

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 14 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H14A(+37+64) [SEQ ID NO:56] induced weak exon 14 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 100 nM. Table 12 below includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100, 200 and 300 nM. The other antisense molecules were unable to induce exon skipping at any of the concentrations tested.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
56	H14A(+37+64)	CUU GUA AAA GAA CCC AGC	Skipping at
		GGU CUU CUG U	100 nM

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
57	H14A(+14+35)	CAU CUA CAG AUG UUU GCC	No skipping
		CAU C	
58	H14A(+51+73)	GAA GGA UGU CUU GUA AAA	No skipping
		GAA CC	
59	H14D(-02+18)	ACC UGU UCU UCA GUA AGA	No skipping
		CG	
60	H14D(+14-10)	CAU GAC ACA CCU GUU CUU	No skipping
		CAG UAA	
61	H14A(+61 +80)	CAU UUG AGA AGG AUG UCU	No skipping
		UG	
62	H14A(-12+12)	AUC UCC CAA UAC CUG GAG	No skipping
		AAG AGA	

Table 12

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 15 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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H15A(-12+19) [SEQ ID NO:63] and H15A(+48+71) [SEQ ID NO:64] induced substantial exon 15 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 Nm, as shown in Figure 9A. Table 13 below includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100, 200 and 300 Nm. These other antisense molecules were unable to induce exon skipping at any of the concentrations tested.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
63	H15A(-12+19)	GCC AUG CAC UAA AAA GGC ACU GCA AGA	Skipping at
		CAU U	5Nm
64	H15A(+48+71)	UCU UUA AAG CCA GUU GUG UGA AUC	Skipping at
			5Nm
65	H15A(+08+28)	UUU CUG AAA GCC AUG CAC UAA	No skipping
63	H15A(-12+19)	GCC AUG CAC UAA AAA GGC ACU GCA AGA	No skipping
		CAU U	
66	H15D(+17-08)	GUA CAU ACG GCC AGU UUU UGA AGA C	No skipping

Table 13

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 16 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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H16A(-12+19) [SEQ ID NO:67] and H16A(-06+25) [SEQ ID NO:68] induced substantial exon 16 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 nM, as shown in Figure 9B. Table 14 below includes other antisense molecules tested. H16A(-06+19) [SEQ ID NO:69] and H16A(+87+109) [SEQ ID NO:70] were tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100, 200 and 300 nM. These two antisense molecules were able to induce exon skipping at 25 nM and 100 nM, respectively. Additional antisense molecules were tested at 100, 200 and 300 nM and did not result in any exon skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
67	H16A(-12+19)	CUA GAU CCG CUU UUA AAA CCU GUU	Skipping at
		AAA ACA A	5 nM
68	H16A(-06+25)	UCU UUU CUA GAU CCG CUU UUA AAA	Skipping at
		CCU GUU A	5 nM
69	H16A(-06+19)	CUA GAU CCG CUU UUA AAA CCU GUU A	Skipping at
			25 nM
70	H16A(+87+109)	CCG UCU UCU GGG UCA CUG ACU UA	Skipping at
			100 nM

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
71	H16A(-07+19)	CUA GAU CCG CUU UUA AAA CCU GUU AA	No skipping
72	H16A(-07+13)	CCG CUU UUA AAA CCU GUU AA	No skipping
73	H16A(+12+37)	UGG AUU GCU UUU UCU UUU CUA GAU CC	No skipping
74	H16A(+92+116)	CAU GCU UCC GUC UUC UGG GUC ACU G	No skipping
75	H16A(+45+67)	G AUC UUG UUU GAG UGA AUA CAG U	No skipping
76	H16A(+105+126)	GUU AUC CAG CCA UGC UUC CGU C	No skipping
77	H16D(+05-20)	UGA UAA UUG GUA UCA CUA ACC UGU G	No skipping
78	H16D(+12-11)	GUA UCA CUA ACC UGU GCU GUA C	No skipping

Table 14

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 19 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H19A(+35+65) [SEQ ID NO:79] induced substantial exon 19 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 nM. This antisense molecule also showed very strong exon skipping at concentrations of 25, 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM.

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oligonucleotides, as tested using gel electrophoresis. It is interesting to note that it was not easy to induce exon 20 skipping using single antisense oligonucleotides H20A(+44+71) [SEQ ID NO:81] or H20A(+149+170) [SEQ ID NO:82], as illustrated in sections 2 and 3 of the gel shown in Figure 10. Whereas, a "cocktail" of antisense oligonucleotides was more efficient as can be seen in section 4 of Figure 10 using a "cocktail" of antisense oligonucleotides H20A(+44+71) and H20A(+149+170). When the cocktail was used to target exon 19, skipping was even stronger (see section 5, Figure 10).

Figure 11 illustrates gel electrophoresis results of exon 19/20 skipping using "weasels" The "weasels" were effective in skipping exons 19 and 20 at concentrations of 25, 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. A further "weasel" sequence is shown in the last row of Table 3C. This compound should give good results.

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 20 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

None of the antisense oligonucleotides tested induced exon 20 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10, 25, 50, 300 or 600 nM (see Table 15).

Antisense molecules H20A(-11+17) [SEQ ID NO:86] and H20D(+08-20) [SEQ ID NO:87] are yet to be tested.

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However, a combination or "cocktail" of H20A(+44+71) [SEQ ID NO: 81] and H20(+149+170) [SEQ ID NO:82] in a ratio of 1:1, exhibited very strong exon skipping at a concentration of 100 nM and 600 nM. Further, a combination of antisense molecules H19A(+35+65) [SEQ ID NO:79], H20A(+44+71) [SEQ ID NO:81] and H20A(+149+170) [SEQ ID NO:82] in a ratio of 2:1:1, induced very strong exon skipping at a concentration ranging from 10 nM to 600 nM.

SEQ Antisense Sequence Ability to ID Oligonucleotide induce name skipping 81 CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU H20A(+44+71) No skipping GUU C 82 H20A(+147+168) CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C No skipping 83 H20A(+185+203) UGA UGG GGU GGU GGG UUG G No skipping 84 H20A(-08+17) AUC UGC AUU AAC ACC CUC UAG AAA G No skipping 85 H20A(+30+53) CCG GCU GUU CAG UUG UUC UGA GGC No skipping 86 H20A(-11+17) AUC UGC AUU AAC ACC CUC UAG AAA Not tested GAA A yet 87 GAA GGA GAA GAG AUU CUU ACC UUA H20D(+08-20) Not tested CAA A yet 81 & H20A(+44+71) & CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU Very strong H20A(+147+168) 82 GUU C skipping CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C GCC UGA GCU GAU CUG CUG GCA UCU 80, 81 H19A(+35+65); Very strong

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	Oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
& 82	H20A(+44+71);	UGC AGU U;	skipping
	H20A(+147+168)	CUG GCA GAA UUC GAU CCA CCG GCU	
		GUU C;	
		CAG CAG UAG UUG UCA UCU GCU C	

Table 15

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 21 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as

5 described above.

H21A(+85+108) [SEQ ID NO:92] and H21A(+85+106) [SEQ ID NO:91] induced exon 21 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 50 nM. Table 16 below includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 5, 25, 50, 100, 200 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules showed a variable ability to induce exon

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SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
ID	Oligonucleotide name	_	skipping
90	H21A(-06+16)	GCC GGU UGA CUU CAU CCU GUG C	Skips at 600 nM
91	H21A(+85+106)	CUG CAU CCA GGA ACA UGG GUC C	Skips at 50 nM
92	H21A(+85+108)	GUC UGC AUC CAG GAA CAU GGG	Skips at 50 nM
		UC	
93	H21A(+08+31)	GUU GAA GAU CUG AUA GCC GGU	Skips faintly to
		UGA	
94	H21D(+18-07)	UAC UUA CUG UCU GUA GCU CUU	No skipping
		UCU	

Table 16

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 22

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 22 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 12 illustrates differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 22 acceptor splice site. H22A(+125+106) [SEQ ID NO:96] and H22A(+80+101) [SEQ ID NO: 98] induce strong exon 22 skipping from 50 nM to 600 nM concentration.

H22A(+125+146) [SEQ ID NO:96] and H22A(+80+101) [SEQ ID NO:98] induced exon 22 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 50 nM. Table 17 below shows other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. These antisense molecules showed a variable ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
95	H22A(+22+45)	CAC UCA UGG UCU CCU GAU AGC	No skipping
		GCA	
96	H22A(+125+146)	CUG CAA UUC CCC GAG UCU CUG	Skipping to 50 nM
		C	
97	H22A(+47+69)	ACU GCU GGA CCC AUG UCC UGA	Skipping to 300 nM
		UG	
98	H22A(+80+101)	CUA AGU UGA GGU AUG GAG AGU	Skipping to 50 nM
99	H22D(+13-11)	UAU UCA CAG ACC UGC AAU UCC	No skipping
		CC	

Table 17

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 23

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 23 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Table 18 below shows antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 25, 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. These antisense molecules showed no ability to induce exon skipping or are yet to be tested.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
100	H23A(+34+59)	ACA GUG GUG CUG AGA UAG UAU AGG	No skipping
		CC	
101	H23A(+18+39)	UAG GCC ACU UUG UUG CUC UUG C	No Skipping
102	H23A(+72+90)	UUC AGA GGG CGC UUU CUU C	No Skipping

Table 18

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 24 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 19 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides

5 directed at exon 24 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 24 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
103	H24A(+48+70)	GGG CAG GCC AUU CCU CCU UCA GA	Needs testing
104	H24A(-02+22)	UCU UCA GGG UUU GUA UGU GAU	Needs testing
		UCU	-

Table 19

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 25

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 25 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 20 below shows the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 25 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 25 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
105	H25A(+9+36)	CUG GGC UGA AUU GUC UGA AUA	Needs testing
		UCA CUG	
106	H25A(+131+156)	CUG UUG GCA CAU GUG AUC CCA CUG	Needs testing
		AG	
107	H25D(+16-08)	GUC UAU ACC UGU UGG CAC AUG UGA	Needs testing

Table 20

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 26 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 21 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 26 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 26 skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
108	H26A(+132+156)	UGC UUU CUG UAA UUC AUC UGG AGU	Needs testing
		U	
109	H26A(-07+19)	CCU CCU UUC UGG CAU AGA CCU UCC	Needs testing
		AC	
110	H26A(+68+92)	UGU GUC AUC CAU UCG UGC AUC UCU	Faint skipping
		G	at 600 nM

Table 21

ANTISENSE OLIQONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 27

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 27 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 22 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 27 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 27 skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
111	H27A(+82+106)	UUA AGG CCU CUU GUG CUA CAG	Needs testing
		GUG G	
112	H27A(-4+19)	GGG CCU CUU CUU UAG CUC UCU	Faint skipping at
		GA	600 and 300 nM
113	H27D(+19-03)	GAC UUC CAA AGU CUU GCA UUU C	v. strong skipping
			at 600 and 300 nM

Table 22

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 28

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 28 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 23 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 28 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 28 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense oligonucleotide	Sequence	Ability to induce skipping
	name		Skipping
114	H28A(-05+19)	GCC AAC AUG CCC AAA CUU CCU AAG	v. strong skipping at 600 and 300 nM
115	H28A(+99+124)	CAG AGA UUU CCU CAG CUC CGC CAG GA	Needs testing
116	H28D(+16-05)	CUU ACA UCU AGC ACC UCA GAG	v. strong skipping at 600 and 300 nM

Table 23

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 29 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 24 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 29 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 29 skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
117	H29A(+57+81)	UCC GCC AUC UGU UAG GGU CUG	Needs testing
		UGC C	
118	H29A(+18+42)	AUU UGG GUU AUC CUC UGA AUG	v. strong skipping
		UCG C	at 600 and 300 nM
119	H29D(+17-05)	CAU ACC UCU UCA UGU AGU UCC C	v. strong skipping
			at 600 and 300 nM

Table 24

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 30

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 30 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Table 25 below outlines the antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 30 that are yet to be tested for their ability to induce exon 30 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
120	H30A(+122+147)	CAU UUG AGC UGC GUC CAC	Needs testing
		CUU GUC UG	
121	H30A(+25+50)	UCC UGG GCA GAC UGG AUG	Very strong skipping at
		CUC UGU UC	600 and 300 nM.
122	H30D(+19-04)	UUG CCU GGG CUU CCU GAG	Very strong skipping at
		GCA UU	600 and 300 nM.

Table 25

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 31 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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Figure 13 illustrates differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 31 acceptor splice site and a "cocktail" of exon 31 antisense oligonucleotides at varying concentrations. H31D(+03-22) [SEQ ID NO:124] substantially induced exon 31 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 20 nM. Table 26 below also includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration of 100 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules showed a variable ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
123	H31D(+06-18)	UUC UGA AAU AAC AUA UAC CUG UGC	Skipping to 300 nM
124	H31D(+03-22)	UAG UUU CUG AAA UAA CAU AUA	Skipping to 20 nM
124	11315(+03-22)	CCU G	Skipping to 20 mvi
125	H31A(+05+25)	GAC UUG UCA AAU CAG AUU GGA	No skipping
126	H31D(+04-20)	GUU UCU GAA AUA ACA UAU ACC	Skipping to 300 nM
		UGU	

Table 26

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 32 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H32D(+04-16) [SEQ ID NO:127] and H32A(+49+73) [SEQ ID NO:130] induced exon 32 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 300 nM. Table 27 below also shows other antisense molecules tested at a concentration of 100 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules did not show an ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
ID	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
127	H32D(+04-16)	CAC CAG AAA UAC AUA CCA CA	Skipping to 300 nM
128	H32A(+151+170)	CAA UGA UUU AGC UGU GAC UG	No skipping
129	H32A(+10+32)	CGA AAC UUC AUG GAG ACA UCU	No skipping
		UG	
130	H32A(+49+73)	CUU GUA GAC GCU GCU CAA AAU	Skipping to 300 nM
		UGG C	

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ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 33

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 33 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 14 shows differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 33 acceptor splice site. H33A(+64+88) [SEQ ID NO:134] substantially induced exon 33 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 nM. Table 28 below includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration of 100, 200 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules showed a variable ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
131	H33D(+09-11)	CAU GCA CAC ACC UUU GCU CC	No skipping
132	H33A(+53+76)	UCU GUA CAA UCU GAC GUC CAG UCU	Skipping to 200 nM
133	H33A(+30+56)	GUG UUU AUC ACC AUU UCC ACU UCA	Skipping to 200 nM
		GAC	
134	H33A(+64+88)	GCG UCU GCU UUU UCU GUA CAA UCU	Skipping to 10 nM
		G	

Table 28

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 34 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as

5 described above.

Table 29 below includes antisense molecules tested at a concentration of 100 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules showed a variable ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
135	H34A(+83+104)	UCC AUA UCU GUA GCU GGC	No skipping
		AGC C	
136	H34A(+143+165)	CCA GGC AAC UUC AGA AUC	No skipping
		CAA AU	
137	H34A(-20+10)	UUU CUG UUA CCU GAA AAG	Not tested
		AAU UAU AAU GAA	
138	H34A(+46+70)	CAU UCA UUU CCU UUC GCA	Skipping to 300
		UCU UAC G	nM
139	H34A(+95+120)	UGA UCU CUU UGU CAA UUC	Skipping to 300
		CAU AUC UG	nM
140	H34D(+10-20)	UUC AGU GAU AUA GGU UUU	Not tested
		ACC UUU CCC CAG	
141	H34A(+72+96)	CUG UAG CUG CCA GCC AUU	No skipping
		CUG UCA AG	

Table 29

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 35 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 15 shows differing efficiencies of antisense molecules directed at exon 35 acceptor splice site. H35A(+24+43) [SEQ ID NO:144] substantially induced exon 35 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 20 nM. Table 30 below also includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration of 100 and 300 nM. These antisense molecules showed no ability to induce exon skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
142	H35A(+141+161)	UCU UCU GCU CGG GAG GUG ACA	Skipping to 20 nM
143	H35A(+116+135)	CCA GUU ACU AUU CAG AAG AC	No skipping
144	H35A(+24+43)	UCU UCA GGU GCA CCU UCU GU	No skipping

Table 30

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 36

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 36 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Antisense molecule H36A(+26+50) [SEQ ID NO:145] induced exon 36 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 300 nM, as shown in Figure 16.

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 37

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 37 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 17 shows differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 37 acceptor splice site. H37A(+82+105) [SEQ ID NO:148] and H37A(+134+157)

[SEQ ID NO:149] substantially induced exon 37 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 nM. Table 31 below shows the antisense molecules tested.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
147	H37A(+26+50)	CGU GUA GAG UCC ACC UUU GGG CGU	No skipping
		A	
148	H37A(+82+105)	UAC UAA UUU CCU GCA GUG GUC ACC	Skipping to 10 nM
149	H37A(+134+157)	UUC UGU GUG AAA UGG CUG CAA AUC	Skipping to 10 nM

Table 31

5 <u>ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 38</u>

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 38 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 18 illustrates antisense molecule H38A(+88+112) [SEQ ID NO:152]

10 , directed at exon 38 acceptor splice site. H38A(+88+112) substantially induced exon 38 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 10 nM. Table 32 below shows the antisense molecules tested and their ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
ID	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
150	H38A(-01+19)	CCU UCA AAG GAA UGG AGG CC	No skipping
151	H38A(+59+83)	UGC UGA AUU UCA GCC UCC AGU GGU U	Skipping to 10 nM
152	H38A(+88+112)	UGA AGU CUU CCU CUU UCA GAU UCA C	Skipping to 10 nM

Table 32

15 ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 39

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 39 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H39A(+62+85) [SEQ ID NO:153] induced exon 39 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 100 nM. Table 33 below shows the antisense molecules tested and their ability to induce exon skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
153	H39A(+62+85)	CUG GCU UUC UCU CAU CUG UGA	Skipping to 100 nM
		UUC	
154	H39A(+39+58)	GUU GUA AGU UGU CUC CUC UU	No skipping
155	H39A(+102+121)	UUG UCU GUA ACA GCU GCU GU	No skipping
156	H39D(+10-10)	GCU CUA AUA CCU UGA GAG CA	Skipping to 300 nM

5 Table 33

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ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 40

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 40 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 19 illustrates antisense molecule H40A(-05+17) [SEQ ID NO:157] directed at exon 40 acceptor splice site. H40A(-05+17) and H40A(+129+153) [SEQ ID NO:158] both substantially induced exon 40 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 5 nM.

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 42

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 42 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 20 illustrates antisense molecule H42A(-04+23) [SEQ ID NO:159], directed at exon 42 acceptor splice site. H42A(-4+23) and H42D(+19-02) [SEQ ID NO:161] both induced exon 42 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 5 nM. Table 34 below shows the antisense molecules tested and their ability to induce exon 42 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	afigonucleotide		skipping
	name		
159	H42A(-4+23)	AUC GUU UCU UCA CGG ACA GUG	Skipping to 5 nM
		UGG UGC	
160	H42A(+86+109)	GGG CUU GUG AGA CAU GAG UGA	Skipping to 100 nM
		UUU	
161	H42D(+19-02)	A CCU UCA GAG GAC UCC UCU	Skipping to 5 nM
		UGC	

Table 34

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 43 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H43A(+101+120) [SEQ ID NO:163] induced exon 43 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 25 nM. Table 35 below includes the antisense molecules tested and their ability to induce exon 43 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
162	H43D(+10-15)	UAU GUG UUA CCU ACC CUU GUC	Skipping to 100 nM
		GGU C	
163	H43A(+101+120)	GGA GAG AGC UUC CUG UAG CU	Skipping to 25 nM
164	H43A(+78+100)	UCA CCC UUU CCA CAG GCG UUG CA	Skipping to 200 n M

Table 35

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ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 44

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 44 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Testing fior the ability of these antisense molecules to induce exon 44 skipping is still in progress. The antisense molecules under review are shown as SEQ ID Nos: 165 to 167 in Table 1A.

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 45 were prepared using similar methods as described above. Testing for the ability of these antisense molecules to induce exon 45 skipping is still in progress. The antisense molecules under review are shown as SEQ ID Nos: 207 to 211 in Table 1A.

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 46

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 46 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

10 Figure 21 illustrates the efficiency of one antisense molecule directed at exon 46 acceptor splice site. Antisense oligonucleotide H46A(+86+115) [SEQ ID NO:203] showed very strong ability to induce exon 46 skipping. Table 36 below includes antisense molecules tested. These antisense molecules showed varying ability to induce exon 46 skipping.

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SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
	oligonucleotide		induce
	name		skipping
168	H46D(+16-04)	UUA CCU UGA CUU GCU CAA GC	No skipping
169	H46A(+90+109)	UCC AGG UUC AAG UGG GAU AC	No skipping
203	H46A(+86+115)	CUC UUU UCC AGG UUC AAG UGG GAU	Good skipping
		ACU AGC	to 100 nM
204	H46A(+107+137)	CAA GCU UUU CUU UUA GUU GCU GCU	Good skipping
		CUU UUC C	to 100 nM
205	H46A(-10+20)	UAU UCU UUU GUU CUU CUA GCC UGG	Weak skipping
		AGA AAG	
206	H46A(+50+77)	CUG CUU CCU CCA ACC AUA AAA CAA	Weak skipping
		AUU C	

Table 36

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 47 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

H47A(+76+100) [SEQ ID NO:170] and H47A(-09+12) [SEQ ID NO:172] both induced exon 47 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 200 nM. H47D(+25-02) [SEQ ID NO: 171] is yet to be prepared and tested.

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ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 50

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 50 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Antisense oligonucleotide molecule H50A(+02+30) [SEQ ID NO: 173] was a strong inducer of exon skipping. Further, H50A(+07+33) [SEQ ID NO:174] and H50D(+07-18) [SEQ ID NO:175] both induced exon 50 skipping when delivered into cells at a concentration of 100 nM.

ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 51

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 51 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 22 illustrates differing efficiencies of two antisense molecules directed at exon 51 acceptor splice site. Antisense oligonucleotide H51A(+66+90) [SEQ ID NO:180] showed the stronger ability to induce exon 51 skipping. Table 37 below includes antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 25, 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. These antisense molecules showed varying ability to induce exon 51 skipping. The strongest inducers of exon skipping were antisense oligonucleotide H51A(+61+90) [SEQ ID NO: 179] and H51A(+66+95) [SEQ ID NO: 181].

SEQ ID	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to induce
	oligonucleotide		skipping
	name		
176	H51A(-01+25)	ACC AGA GUA ACA GUC	Faint skipping
		UGA GUA GGA GC	
177	H51D(+16-07)	CUC AUA CCU UCU GCU	Skipping at 300
		UGA UGA UC	nM
178	H51A(+111+134)	UUC UGU CCA AGC CCG	Needs re- testing
		GUU GAA AUC	
179	H51A(+61+90)	ACA UCA AGG AAG AUG	Very strong
		GCA UUU CUA GUU UGG	skipping
180	H51A(+66+90)	ACA UCA AGG AAG AUG	skipping
		GCA UUU CUA G	
181	H51A(+66+95)	CUC CAA CAU CAA GGA	Very strong
		AGA UGG CAU UUC UAG	skipping
182	H51D(+08-17)	AUC AUU UUU UCU CAU	No skipping
		ACC UUC UGC U	
183	H51A/D(+08-17)	AUC AUU UUU UCU CAU	No skipping
	& (-15+?)	ACC UUC UGC UAG GAG	
		CUA AAA	
184	H51A(+175+195)	CAC CCA CCA UCA GCC	No skipping
		UCU GUG	
185	H51A(+199+220)	AUC AUC UCG UUG AUA	No skipping
		UCC UCA A	

Table 37

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 52 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

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Figure 22 also shows differing efficiencies of four antisense molecules directed at exon 52 acceptor splice site. The most effective antisense oligonucleotide for inducing exon 52 skipping was H52A(+17+37) [SEQ ID NO:188).

Table 38 below shows antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. These antisense molecules showed varying ability to induce exon 50 skipping. Antisense molecules H52A(+12+41) [SEQ ID NO:187] and

H52A(+17+37) [SEQ ID NO:188] showed the strongest exon 50 skipping at a concentration of 50 nM.

SEQ	Antisense	Sequence	Ability to
ID	oligonucleotide		induce skipping
	name		
186	H52A(-07+14)	UCC UGC AUU GUU GCC UGU AAG	No skipping
187	H52A(+12+41)	UCC AAC UGG GGA CGC CUC UGU UCC	Very strong
		AAA UCC	skipping
188	H52A(+17+37)	ACU GGG GAC GCC UCU GUU CCA	Skipping to
			50 nM
189	H52A(+93+112)	CCG UAA UGA UUG UUC UAG CC	No skipping
190	H52D(+05-15)	UGU UAA AAA ACU UAC UUC GA	No skipping

Table 38

5 ANTISENSE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES DIRECTED AT EXON 53

Antisense oligonucleotides directed at exon 53 were prepared and tested for their ability to induce exon skipping in human muscle cells using similar methods as described above.

Figure 22 also shows antisense molecule H53A(+39+69) [SEQ ID NO:193] directed at exon 53 acceptor splice site. This antisense oligonucleotide was able to induce exon 53 skipping at 5, 100, 300 and 600 nM. A "cocktail" of three exon 53 antisense oligonucleotides: H53A(+23+47) [SEQ ID NO:195], H53A(+150+176) [SEQ ID NO:196] and H53D(+14-07) [SEQ ID NO:194], was also tested, as shown in Figure 20 and exhibited an ability to induce exon skipping.

Table 39 below includes other antisense molecules tested at a concentration range of 50, 100, 300 and 600 nM. These antisense molecules showed varying ability to induce exon 53 skipping. Antisense molecule H53A(+39+69) [SEQ ID NO:193] induced the strongest exon 53 skipping.

SEQ ID	Antisense oligonucleotide name	Sequence	Ability to induce skipping
191	H53A(+45+69)	CAU UCA ACU GUU GCC UCC GGU UCU G	Faint skipping at 50 nM
192	H53A(+39+62)	CUG UUG CCU CCG GUU CUG AAG GUG	Faint skipping at 50 nM
193	H53A(+39+69)	CAU UCA ACU GUU GCC UCC GGU UCU GAA GGU G	Strong skipping to 50 nM
194	H53D(+14-07)	UAC UAA CCU UGG UUU CUG UGA	Very faint skipping to 50 nM
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What is claimed is:

1. An antisense molecule capable of binding to a selected target site to induce exon skipping in the dystrophin gene, as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 to 202.

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ABSTRACT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Application No.: 15/705,172 Docket No.: AVN-008CN41

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)

- 2. (New) An antisense oligonucleotide of 20 to 31 bases comprising a base sequence that is 100% complementary to consecutive bases of a target region of exon 53 of the human dystrophin pre-mRNA, wherein the target region is within annealing site H53A(+23+47) and annealing site H53A(+39+69), wherein the base sequence comprises at least 12 consecutive bases of CUG AAG GUG UUC UUG UAC UUC AUC C (SEQ ID NO: 195), in which uracil bases are thymine bases, wherein the antisense oligonucleotide is a morpholino antisense oligonucleotide, and wherein the antisense oligonucleotide induces exon 53 skipping; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 3. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising: (i) an antisense oligonucleotide of 20 to 31 bases comprising a base sequence that is 100% complementary to consecutive bases of a target region of exon 53 of the human dystrophin pre-mRNA, wherein the target region is within annealing site H53A(+23+47) and annealing site H53A(+39+69), wherein the base sequence comprises at least 12 consecutive bases of CUG AAG GUG UUC UUG UAC UUC AUC C (SEQ ID NO: 195), in which uracil bases are thymine bases, wherein the antisense oligonucleotide is a morpholino antisense oligonucleotide, and wherein the antisense oligonucleotide induces exon 53 skipping, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; and (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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REMARKS

Claim 1 was pending in the application. Claim 1 has been cancelled without disclaimer or prejudice to further prosecution in this or a related application. New claims 2 and 3 have been added.

Support for the new claims can be found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. Specifically, support for the term "morpholino antisense oligonucleotide" can be found at page 17, lines 1-5 (Table 1A) of the specification. Morpholino antisense oligonucleotides have been described in the literature. See, *e.g.*, Summerton, J. and Weller, D. (1997) Morpholino Antisense oligomers: design, preparation, and properties. *Antisense Nucl. Acid Drug Dev.*, 7, 187-195; Heasman, J. (2002) Morpholino Oligos: making sense of antisense? *Dev Biol* 243:209-214; and Gebski, B. *et al.* (2003) Morpholino antisense oligonucleotide induced dystrophin exon 23 skipping in *mdx* mouse muscle. *Hum. Mol. Gen.* 12(15): 1801-1811.

No new matter has been added. Accordingly, following entry of the foregoing amendment claims 2 and 23 will be pending in the application.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617) 217-4626. If a fee is due with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080 under Order No. AVN-008CN41, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the documents listed on the PTO/SB/08 be expressly considered by the Examiner during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

For the Examiner's convenience in reviewing this continuation application, Applicant submits a consolidated PTO/SB/08, listing all references cited during the prosecution of the parent applications. The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 15/274,772, filed September 23, 2016 (Atty. Docket No. AVN-008CN37). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the references previously cited by or submitted to the Office in the parent applications are not enclosed, but will be provided upon request.

Applicant calls to the attention of the Examiner the following Applications and Office Actions issued therein:

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The Examiner is requested to review the file histories of these applications, including cited references, Office Actions, Responses, etc., and is asked to contact Applicant's Attorney if the Examiner would like the Applicant to supply copies of any or all of the information included in any of these applications. For any of these applications, if Applicant's Attorney is not contacted by the Examiner with such a request, then it will be concluded that the Examiner has reviewed or will review the file content of these applications.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner initial the blank columns next to the cited Applications and Office Actions, to indicate that the information has been considered by the Examiner. Alternatively, Applicant requests that the Examiner insert the phrase, "All references

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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months of the U.S. filing date (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1)). Applicant believes no fee is due with this statement.

Dated: September 22, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

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